



1959

AGAWAM

Annual Report

FOREWORD

Your Town Report for 1959 is respectfully dedicated to our School System in recognition of the fact that the future of our Town, our State and our Nation is dependent on how well we educate our future citizens.

Our 1958 Report was honored by being chosen second among towns of over 10,000 population. Agawam's Report has won honors for five years in succession.

We have shown herewith pictures of our present schools and some of our old ones. We are grateful to the many photographers who have supplied them and to others who have helped this committee in bringing you this report.



Town of

AGAWAM
MASSACHUSETTS

ANNUAL
REPORT

for the Year
1959

Town Calendar

OFFICE HOURS

Monday -- Friday
9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.
Thursday Evening
7:00 P. M. to 9:00 P. M.

BOARD MEETINGS

Selectmen — Monday Evenings, 7:30 P. M.
Planning Board — Second Thursday of Month
School Committee — Second Tuesday of Month

TELEPHONES

Town Hall, all departments	RE 7-2616
Police Department	RE 7-4767
Fire Department	RE 6-2131
School Department	RE 4-8045

Agawam Directory

Incorporated May 17, 1855

Population 1955 Census — 13,177

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Leverett Saltonstall of Newton

John F. Kennedy of Boston

REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS

SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Edward P. Boland of Springfield

COUNCILOR

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Raymond F. Sullivan of Springfield

STATE SENATOR

HAMPDEN, HAMPSHIRE — BERKSHIRE DISTRICT

Otto F. Burkhardt of Westfield

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT

ELEVENTH HAMPDEN DISTRICT

George W. Porter of Agawam

Emmit J. Line of West Springfield

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

Third Monday in February

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

First Saturday in March at 10:00 A. M.

Highlights of 1959

Completion of #57 By-Pass South End Bridge to Main
Under Construction — Shea's Field School
Under Construction — H. P. Hoods Plant
Town Report Award



As We Look Ahead

Sewer Interceptor — Agawam Center
Playground Expansion
Extension of Route #57 By-Pass to Suffield Street
Construction — New Armory
By-law Revisions — Zoning and Regular Town By-laws
Industrial — Commercial Expansion

Elected Town Officers

MODERATOR

Paul R. Langlois

SELECTMEN AND BOARD OF HEALTH

Walter T. Kerr

James P. Kane

Arthur W. Johnson

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

Brandon N. Letellier

TOWN COLLECTOR

Margaret E. Ferranti

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Philip J. DeForge	1961	Katherine G. Danahy	1960
Elizabeth B. Pond	1961	Stewart R. Safford	1960
Paul J. Adams	1962	Hollis F. Kane	1962

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

William M. Bardwell	1961	George L. Reynolds	1962
Francis P. Cleary	1960		

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Clara J. McVeigh	1961	Eva S. Kerr	1962
Odette Z. Benjamin	1960		

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Jerrie Cavanaugh	1961	Andrew Chriscola	1962
Leonard P. Rising	1960		

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Noel E. Brown	1960	Theodore A. Progulske, Jr.	1961
Richard M. Taylor	1962		

TRUSTEES OF THE WHITING STREET FUND

George A. Toussaint	1960	Homer C. Allen	1961
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TREE WARDEN

Elmer Cascio 1960

PLANNING BOARD

William J. McLellan	1963	John B. Cirillo	1960
Walter J. LaFrancis	1961	Raymond E. Harris	1962
Ted E. Dynia	1964		

PARKS, PLAYGROUND & RECREATION COMMISSION

Vito N. DePalo	1961	Samuel F. Provo	1960
Judson W. Hastings, Jr., 1962			

AGAWAM HOUSING AUTHORITY

Francis J. Gensheimer, State Appointee			
Walter A. Balboni	1963	Art' ur W. LaFleur	1961
Thomas Patrick Meredith,	1960	Robert Watson, Jr.	1964

Appointed Town Officers

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Frances M. Pedulla

CHIEF OF POLICE AND DOG OFFICER

Roland C. Reed

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

John W. Parent

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Morris E. Lundberg

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Edith C. Larsen

VETERANS AGENT — BURIAL AGENT

Andrew C. Gallano

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
MEASURER OF WOOD — PUBLIC WEIGHER

Louis D. Draghetti

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Charles W. Hull

GYPSY MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Dominick J. Ricco

BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

Joseph M. Faucette

INSPECTOR OF MEATS

Herbert G. Taylor

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Artem Honchar

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Joseph M. Faucette

BUILDING INSPECTOR

James J. Gloster

FENCE VIEWERS

William H. Lester

James W. Cesan

WIRING INSPECTOR

O. William Anderson

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Edward J. Desmarais

TOWN PROSECUTOR

John J. Teahan

TOWN COUNSEL

John T. McDonough

BOARD OF APPEALS

Harold C. Atwater

Irving R. LaFleur

Julio A. Alvigini

Paul J. Adams, Alt.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Roland G. Durocher

Phillips V. Hembdt

Peter T. McGrady

John J. Sullivan

Frank A. Grasso

Benjamin S. Bassani

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Alvin R. Kellogg, Jr.

Louis J. Lovotti

Richard J. Rieker

Brandon N. Letellier

PERSONNEL BOARD

Daniel F. Sullivan

Walter Balboni

William J. DeForge, Jr.

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Arthur Zavarella

PERSONNEL DIRECTOR

Antoni Romanowicz

INDUSTRIAL AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

David C. Gallano

Frank Chriscola, Jr.

Alexander Baldiga

Valentine R. Moreno

Joseph J. Sliech, Jr.

Bashire E. Dahdah

David K. Tucker

William W. Brezinski

Enrico Meucci

COUNCIL FOR THE AGING

Percy Fletcher

John A. Adams

Walter T. Kerr

Rev. John P. Shannon

Rev. Frank E. Dunn



Board of Selectmen

The Board, in rendering its report for the past year have only considered the major items of progress that have been accomplished, and, we note with pride, the completion of the Interceptor Sewer System for eliminating pollution in the Westfield River. This has been completed with the exception of the Valley-Moore Street section, which is now under construction. When this is finished all of the North section of the Town will be tied in to the Interceptor Sewer System.

At the present time we have under construction the start of the Connecticut River Interceptor, with a new 20-inch disposal line which will take care of a part of Main Street and will service the new Hood plant. This will take care of our entire sewage disposal problem in these areas for some years to come and provide for many new industries in the area effected.

The new Route 57 from the Rotary to Main Street has been completed, and while it has definitely eased some of our traffic problem, we feel that the extension of this route to Suffield Street, which will be completed during 1960, will definitely remove a great deal of the existing traffic congestion at the Agawam Bridge. The projected State Program calls for extending this route for a distance of seven additional miles, and, depending upon the State program, it's our belief that this highway will bring to Agawam many advantages by attracting a high-grade of industrial plants to the area.

During the ensuing year the new State Armory will be erected and completed on the Shea's Field Site off Maynard Street. This addition will provide the Town with a modern building with facilities that not only will be used by the National Guard, but will also be available to various community organizations, both for

recreation and service, and at the same time remove from the Town Hall the present crowded condition caused by having to house the Armory equipment and lockers in the Town Hall.

The subject of increased traffic congestion in the Agawam Shopping Center has been a problem facing the Board over the past year. This has been due to new construction, and of course to the fact that it would bring additional problems on traffic. Several conferences have been held with the various owners and lessees of property in the area involved, and at the present time the Board have an article in the Town Warrant for the acceptance and laying out of Agawam Shopping Court, which is the primary step to relieve the existing situation.

The Board has filed thru our representative in the Legislature two bills during the present year effecting what we consider major problems that require action by the State Legislature.

#1 After several conferences with the West Springfield Board of Selectmen, we have arrived at a determination that is agreeable to both Boards, specifying the location of the Town Boundary line, which we feel will settle this major problem within the next few months.

#2 We have also entered a bill for the construction, by the State, of a new bridge between West Springfield and Agawam, that is known as the Mittineague Bridge. This is a hazardous situation at present, due to the age of the structure and the type of traffic that moves over this bridge. The Board has reduced and posted the bridge at present for weights not exceeding six tons. We are extremely optimistic that both these bills will be adopted.

Arthur W. Johnson was elected to the Board in February and resigned from the Board December 22, 1959, as he was offered and accepted a lucrative position in Florida. We wish Mr. Johnson every success in his new endeavors.

The Board joins with the people of the Community in heartfelt regret at the passing of one of our most beloved members of our Nursing Staff. Clara Williams served the Community over many years with diligence far above the ordinary call of duty. We will all miss her loyal and faithful service.



TOWN
ACCOUNTANT

Town Accountant

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Appro- priations	Additions	Available	Expenditures	Balance
Moderator		25.00		25.00	25.00	
Selectmen — Salaries		7,392.00	102.00	7,494.00	7,494.00	
Other Expense		1,265.00		1,265.00	851.62	413.38
Accounting — Salaries		8,580.00		8,580.00	8,580.00	
Out of State Travel		60.00		60.00	60.00	
Other Expense		642.00		642.00	559.70	82.30
Town Clerk, Treas. — Salaries		13,991.00		13,991.00	13,004.20	986.80
Other Expense		2,595.00		2,595.00	2,583.10	11.90
Collector — Salaries		12,168.00	192.00	12,360.00	12,344.30	15.70
Other Expense		3,410.00		3,410.00	3,166.75	243.25
Assessors — Salaries		12,882.00		12,882.00	12,847.64	34.36
Other Expense		1,700.00	75.00	1,775.00	1,750.76	24.24
Law — Salaries		3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00	
Appraisals		700.00		700.00		700.00
Other Expense		800.00		800.00	363.00	437.00
Special Counsel — Enfield Dam Election, Registration — Sal. Other Expense	364.22	3,250.00	156.00	364.22 3,406.00	3,211.56	364.22 194.44
Administ. Bldg. Salaries		1,204.00		1,204.00	1,202.38	1.62
Fuel, Light and Telephone		7,149.00		7,149.00	6,898.40	250.60
Other Expense		5,400.00		5,400.00	5,252.30	147.70
Other Town Buildings		2,198.00		2,198.00	1,403.37	794.63
		610.00		610.00	305.94	304.06

Police — Salaries	114,740.00	114,740.00	111,971.34	2,768.66
Uniforms	1,650.00	1,650.00	1,554.03	95.97
Safety Officer Program	250.00	250.00	249.59	.41
Out of State Travel	100.00	100.00	65.12	34.88
New Cruiser	1,700.00	75.00	1,775.00	58.12
Other Expense	11,200.00	1,250.00	12,450.00	409.63
School Traffic Officers	5,385.00	5,385.00	4,967.11	417.89
Dog Officer	250.00	250.00	250.00	
Fire — Salaries	109,070.00	600.00	109,459.92	210.08
Equipment	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,499.06	.94
Uniforms	260.00	11.20	271.20	
Out of State Travel	100.00	100.00	98.50	1.50
Other Expense	5,426.00	163.00	5,589.00	138.73
Sealer — Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	
Other Expense	730.00	730.00	618.59	111.41
Building Inspector — Salary	5,408.00	5,408.00	5,408.00	
Other Expense	825.00	825.00	771.05	53.95
Electrical Inspector	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	
Other Expense	400.00	400.00	399.22	.78
Tree Warden — Salary & Labor	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00	
Equipment Rentals	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,495.00	5.00
Tree Planting	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Spraying	1,150.00	1,150.00	1,150.00	
Removal of Dutch Elm	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Other Expense	150.00	150.00	81.00	69.00
Gypsy Moth Control	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Health — Salaries	18,077.00	240.00	18,317.00	1,275.20

	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Appro- priations	Additions	Available	Expenditures	Balance
Hospitals, Premature Babies		5,500.00		5,500.00	1,246.50	4,253.50
Other Expense		3,600.00		3,600.00	2,921.32	678.68
Plumbing — Labor		2,800.00		2,800.00	1,242.00	1,558.00
Other Expense		125.00		125.00	31.12	93.88
Animal & Slaughter Inspectors		1,188.00		1,188.00	1,188.00	
Garbage Collection		13,500.00		13,500.00	13,500.00	
Rubbish Collection		11,020.00		11,020.00	10,937.35	82.65
Sewer Maintenance		39,300.00	1,000.00	40,300.00	39,511.68	788.32
Drain Pipe	86.24			86.24		86.24
Advanced Plans — Conn. River Sewer			8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	
South St. San. Sewer — 1957	11.55			11.55	11.55*	
Edith Ave. Sanitary Sewer		3,500.00		3,500.00	3,312.00	188.00
Springfield St. Sanitary Sewer — 1958	1,397.86			1,397.86	1,397.86*	
Springfield St. Sanitary Sewer — 1959		700.00		700.00	672.82	27.18
King Ave. Sanitary Sewer	3,189.86			3,189.86	3,189.86*	
Colonial Ave. Sanitary Sewer		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,999.89	.11
Homer St. Storm Sewer	2,419.29			2,419.29	2,419.29*	
Maple Ave. Sanitary Sewer		600.00		600.00	597.20	2.80
Broz Ter. Sanitary Sewer	1,474.67			1,474.67	1,474.67*	
Interceptor Sewer Plans	582.64			582.64		582.64
Westfield River Interceptor Sewer — 1957	46,388.86		22,152.00	68,540.86	31,000.00*	
					12,352.93)	25,187.93

Westfield River Interceptor					
Supplementary & Syphon	6,230.00			6,230.00	
Begley St. Sewers	12,500.00			12,500.00	1,225.21
Meadow St. Alhambra Sewer	6,322.67			6,322.67	2,399.18
Adams St. Sewer & Lift Station	22,635.75			22,635.75	6,167.61
Ramah Cir. N. — Storm Drain	7,500.00			7,500.00	7,500.00
Cooper St. Sanitary Sewer	6.68			6.68	
Cross-Overs —					
River Road Sewer	12,000.00	4,216.73		16,216.73	.02
Meadow St. San. Sewer — 1959	20,000.00			20,000.00	7,401.58
Silver St. Sanitary Sewer	15,000.00			15,000.00	756.31
Shoemaker Lane Sanitary Sewer	17,500.00			17,500.00	2,150.75
Poplar St. Sanitary Sewer	10,450.00			10,450.00	120.81
Silver Lake Sanitary Sewer	12,000.00	200.00		12,200.00	4.47
Moore and Valley St. Sewer					
& Lift Station	31,000.00			31,000.00	27,247.60
D.P.W. Administration — Sal.	15,199.00	299.00		15,498.00	31.55
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00	150.00
Administration Expense	1,000.00			1,000.00	83.05
Highway Maintenance	47,900.00	2,000.00		49,900.00	2,421.18
New Const., Reconstruction	25,000.00			25,000.00	209.09
4 Wheel Drive Loader	13,000.00			13,000.00	192.81
3 Ton Truck	5,500.00			5,500.00	164.45
Road Machinery Exp. Account	14,000.00	4,000.00		18,000.00	493.53
Snow Removal	35,000.00	4,000.00		39,000.00	221.15
Sidewalk Maintenance	3,000.00			3,000.00	616.79
D.P.W. — Police Salaries	1,800.00			1,800.00	42.40

	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Appro- priations	Additions	Available	Expenditures	Balance
Engineering — Salaries		15,000.00		15,000.00	14,376.08	623.92
Other Expense		1,000.00		1,000.00	992.75	7.25
Street Lights		62,000.00		62,000.00	60,711.47	1,288.53
Barry St. Bridge Reconstruction	1,967.03		58.40	2,025.43	1,407.32	618.11
Suffield St. Sidewalk — 1958	15.05			15.05	15.05*	
Rip-Rapping Westfield River		6,500.00		6,500.00		6,500.00
Reloc. So. Westfield & Pine Sts.		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,968.23	31.77
Colemore St. Relocation		5,800.00		5,800.00	5,467.92	332.08
Cooper St. Sidewalk	3,095.43			3,095.43	3,095.43*	
Traffic Rotary			2,000.00	2,000.00		2,000.00
North St. Reconstruction	280.21			280.21	280.21*	
Chap. 90 Construction — 1957	14,848.79			14,848.79		14,848.79
Chap. 90 Construction — 1958	11,486.64			11,486.64	5,573.26	5,913.38
Chap. 90 Construction — 1959		63,600.00	8.73	63,608.73	5.00	63,603.73
Chap. 90 Maintenance — 1959		12,600.00		12,600.00	11,999.18	600.82
U. S. Grant — Old Age Assistance	30,377.21		40,862.35	71,239.56	35,809.67	35,429.89
Old Age Administration	6,049.72		1,993.49	8,043.21	3,985.39	4,057.82
Town — Old Age Assistance		63,500.00	242.18	63,742.18	5,000.00*	12,825.98
					45,916.20)	
Old Age Administration		4,400.00		4,400.00	1,883.98	2,516.02
U. S. Grant — Dependent Children Assistance	8,876.47		12,250.80	21,127.27	9,146.66	11,980.61
Dependent Children Adm.	4,859.13		1,319.00	6,178.13	790.48	5,387.65

Town — Dependent					
Children Assistance				13,499.00	1.00
Dependent Children Adm.				2,000.00	1,147.52
U. S. Grant —					
Disability Assistance	3,186.19		2,261.15	5,447.34	5,207.91
Disability Administration ..	706.38		323.21	1,029.59	973.31
Town — Disability Assistance					
Disability Administration			246.45	2,646.45	2,605.90
General Relief — Salaries				900.00	608.82
Other Expense				2,400.00	2,389.55
Relief				600.00	10.45
			5,270.31	29,270.31	184.34
Veterans — Benefits					3,182.54
District Assessment			10,181.00	28,181.00	26,911.29
Schools — Salaries, Repairs, etc.			7,493.31	7,493.31	1,269.71
Fuel and Light					
Transportation				1,099,993.00	21,381.21
Out of State Travel				52,115.00	7,523.16
National Education School Funds				97,837.90	
George Barden School Funds ..				600.00	600.00
School Lunch Funds	3.24		4,832.65	4,832.65	4,832.65
School Athletic Funds	35.59			3.24	3.24
Land Purchase —					
Main and Reed Sts.				138,019.10	1,945.55
New Elementary School —				10,368.79	1,496.84
Revenue Funds					
Libraries — Salaries					
Fuel and Light					
				1,875.00	1,875.00
				20,697.47	20,697.47
				1,500.00	1,500.00
				750.00	643.57
					106.43

	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Appro- priations	Additions	Available	Expenditures	Balance
Other Expense		225.00	2,571.05	2,796.05	2,786.13	9.92
Parks, Playgrounds — Salaries ..		8,370.00		8,370.00	7,167.55	1,202.45
Equipment and Other Expense ..		1,750.00		1,750.00	1,480.05	269.95
Shea's Field — Softball Field ..	260.50			260.50	260.50*	
By-Law Revision Comm.		200.00		200.00		200.00
Damages to Persons and Prop. ..		500.00	475.00	975.00	845.73	129.27
Widow's Annuity		600.00		600.00	600.00	
Finance Committee		50.00		50.00	37.00	13.00
Group Insurance Approp.		24,200.00		24,200.00	24,169.36	30.64
Town Vehicle Insurance		3,300.00	17.15	3,317.15	3,317.15	
Tax Title Foreclosure		200.00		200.00		200.00
Liability Insurance		6,500.00	1,788.41	8,288.41	8,288.41	
Retirement Contribution		33,950.00		33,950.00	33,949.37	.63
Aid to Agriculture		100.00		100.00	100.00	
Business Development Comm. ...		500.00		500.00		500.00
Memorial Day		550.00		550.00	546.46	3.54
Surety Bonds		667.95		667.95	667.95	
Council for the Aging		100.00		100.00	100.00	
Safety Council of Western Mass. ...		197.00		197.00	197.00	
Previous Years Bills		1,505.60	35.00	1,540.60	1,540.60	
Unclassified		1,800.00		1,800.00	1,725.10	74.90
Reserve Fund		30,000.00		30,000.00	21,707.54	8,292.46
Water Main Reimbursement		357.00		357.00	357.00	
Land Taking — Ease for Drain ..	2.00			2.00		2.00

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1959

ASSETS

Cash — Revenue\$ \$ 559,940.22
Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1959
Poll 256.00
Personal 7,098.80
Real Estate 86,784.83

94,139.63

Levy of 1958

Poll 62.00
Personal 2,310.60
Real Estate 2,999.80

5,372.40

Levy of 1957

Poll 38.00
Personal 2,346.40

2,384.40

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1959 23,518.10
Levy of 1958 4,980.70
Levy of 1957 4,075.89
Levy of 1956 593.29

33,167.98

Farm Animal Excise — 1959

Special Assessments:
Unapportioned Sidewalk 585.92
Apportioned Sidewalk Added to
1959 Real Estate 5.00

11,227.48

Unapportioned Sewer

Apportioned Sewer Added to
1959 Real Estate 268.48

96.73

Committed Interest — 1959

12,183.61

Tax Titles

Tax Possessions 15,238.66
..... 2,663.69

17,902.35

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Payroll Deduction is:
Group Life Insurance 6.62
State Withholding Tax 4,231.46
U. S. Savings Bonds 505.25

4,743.33

Tailings

161.95

Sewer Plan Deposits

15.00

Planning Board Deposits

69.69

Board of Appeals Deposits

5.53

Old Age Recovery

3,034.35

Disability Assistance Recovery

113.20

Trust Fund Income:

Phelon Library 79.61

Old Cemetery 143.71

Feeding Hills Cemetery — General

36.97

Feeding Hills Cemetery — Perpetual

63.74

Maple Grove Cemetery

420.75

746.78

1,945.55

1,496.84

School Lunch Receipts

35,429.89

School Athletic Receipts

4,057.82

Federal Grants:

11,980.61

Old Age Assistance

5,387.65

Dependent Children — Assistance

239.43

Disability Assistance

973.31

George Barden School Funds

3.24

58,071.95

Unexpended Appropriation Balances:

Edith Ave. Sanitary Sewer 188.00

Springfield St. Sanitary Sewer 27.18

Interceptor Sewer Plans

582.64

Westfield River Interceptor

25,187.93

Begley St. Sewers, etc.

1,223.21

Meadow St., Alhambra Sanitary Sewer

2,399.18

County Tax	3,705.42
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	131.88
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Surplus Revenue	4,415.37
	369,334.32
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	\$ 771,700.09
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NON-REVENUE

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

\$ 435,118.74	New Elementary School — Shea's Field	\$ 344,285.50
	Westfield River Interceptor —	
\$ 435,118.74	Supplementary Sewer & Syphon	90,833.24
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		\$ 435,118.74
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ASSETS

Cash

DEFERRED REVENUE

Apportioned Sewer Assessment Revenue Not Due	\$ 15,231.82	Apportioned Sewer Assessments Due 1960 - 1977	\$ 15,231.82
Apportioned Sidewalk Assessment Revenue not Due	335.40	Apportioned Sidewalk Assessments Due 1960 - 1973	335.40
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	\$ 15,567.22		\$ 15,567.22
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BENJAMIN J. PHELPS SCHOOL



KATHERINE G. DANAHY SCHOOL

Treasurer and Town Clerk



The following transactions and recordings were handled by this office during the year 1959:

Births recorded	305
Marriages recorded	139
Deaths recorded	111
Financial Statements recorded	595
Business Certificates recorded	47
Sporting Licenses issued	2126
Dog Licenses issued	1470

The sum of \$3,298.60, fees for recording the above, has been turned in to the Town Treasurer.

CASH RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1959	\$ 587,594.22
From Town Collector	2,192,273.31
From Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
Corporation Tax — Business	\$ 46,771.57
Income Tax	44,851.40
Meal Tax	2,625.31
School Building Assistance	80,684.89
State Aid (Teachers' Salaries)	167,973.79
Braille Instruction	1,302.80
Vocational Education	13,771.50
School Transportation	74,273.70

O. A. A. — Federal Grants	42,786.64	
A. D. C. — Federal Grants	13,543.00	
Disability Assistance—Federal Grants	2,584.36	
Chapter 90	6,797.27	
Miscellaneous	559,929.33	
	<hr/>	1,057,895.56
From County of Hampden		
Chapter 90	16,585.09	
Dog License Refund	2,571.05	
	<hr/>	19,156.14
Temporary Loans	700,000.00	
Investment of School Bonds	2,467.50	
Shea's Field School Loan	665,000.00	
Premium on School Loan	990.85	
Westfield River Interceptor Sewer	185,000.00	
	<hr/>	1,553,458.35
Total Cash Receipts		5,410,377.58

CASH PAYMENTS

To Hampden County		
Dog Licenses	3,329.00	
County Tax	33,622.11	
Contributory Retirement	63,185.13	
	<hr/>	100,136.24
To U. S. Government		
Withholding Taxes	192,348.53	
Employees Savings Bonds	3,075.00	
	<hr/>	195,423.53
To Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Withholding Tax	15,095.44	
State Parks & Reservations	5,915.36	
State Bottling Licenses	20.00	
	<hr/>	21,030.80
Municipal Debt		
Temporary Loans	700,000.00	
School Building Loans	175,000.00	
	<hr/>	875,000.00
Interest on Debt		
Temporary Loans	6,115.54	
School Building Loans	54,738.75	
	<hr/>	60,854.29

Warrants for all other	3,162,873.76
Total Payments	4,415,318.62
Cash on Hand December 31, 1959	995,058.96
Grand Total	5,410,377.58

Municipal Indebtedness Purpose of Loan	Year Issued	Rate	Date of Retirement	Yearly Prin. Payment	Out- standing
Feeding Hills School					
Extension	1949	2%	2-1969	\$20,000.00	\$199,000.00
Katherine G. Danahy Sch.	1952	1 70	2-1962	5,000 00	15,000.00
Benjamin J. Phelps Sch.	1952	1.70	2-1962	5,000 00	15,000.00
South St. Elem. School ..	1956	2.60	7-1974	15,000.00	190,000.00
Shea's Field School	1959	3.80	7-1979	20,000.00	400,000.00
Westfield River Intercep.					
Sewer Bonds	1959	3.30	11-1964	40,000.00	185,000.00
Outside Debt Limit					
Benjamin J. Phelps Sch.	1952	1.70	2-1972	10,000.00	130,000 00
New High School	1952	2 1/4%	2-1974	105,000.00	1,575,000.00
South St. Elem. School ..	1956	2.60	7-1973	15,000.00	205,000.00
Shea's Field School	1959	3.80	7-1979	15,000.00	265,000.00

Trust Funds

Whiting Street Worthy Poor Fund	
Securities and Savings Bank Deposits	\$ 5,595.00
Desire A. Pyne Fund	
Securities	2,000.00
Mary E. Phelon School Fund	
Securities and Savings Bank Deposits	4,225 93
Mary E. Phelon Library Fund	
Securities	500.00
Old Cemetery Fund	
Savings Bank Deposits	700.00
Maple Grove Cemetery Fund	
Savings Bank Deposits	1,405.79
Old Cemetery Ass'n. of Feeding Hills Fund	
Savings Bank Deposits	280.00
Feeding Hills Old Cemetery Ass'n. Fund	160.00
Faolin M. Peirce Fund	
Securities	20,106.72



Town Collector

During the year, the following balances and commitments were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer as of December 31, 1959.

	Committed and Refunds	Collected	Outstanding Abated Jan. 1, 1960
TAXES:			
LEVY OF 1956			
Personal Property	506.80	506.80	
Motor Excise	776.33	183.04	593.29
LEVY OF 1957			
Poll	80.00	42.00	38.00
Cash on hand			18.00
Personal Property	3,217.60	871.20	2,346.40
Motor Excise	4,847.41	771.54	4,075.87
LEVY OF 1958			
Poll	172.00		
Refunds	4.00	114.00	62.00
Personal Property	6,137.41	3,826.81	2,310.60
Real Estate	81,987.26		
Refunds	277.83	79,189.69	224.00
Tax Titles			899.00
Cash on Hand			1,047.40
Motor Excise	39,105.95		
Refunds	933.97	33,208.62	1,850.60
			4,980.70

LEVY OF 1959

Farm Excise	331.01	327.88		3.13
Cash on Hand				1.25
Poll	9,018.00	7,698.00	1,076.00	256.00
Refunds	12.00			
Personal Property	154,115.20			
Refunds	60.80	147,614.80	188.80	6,372.40
Cash on Hand				726.40
Real Estate	1,651,826.75			
Refunds	4,624.44	1,537,348.76	35,086.80	
Tax Titles			2,832.00	81,183.63
Cash on Hand				5,601.20
Motor Excise	223,229.26			
Refunds	3,600.47	193,506.56	14,218.60	19,104.57
Cash on Hand				4,413.53

WATER:

Rates	109,347.34			
Refunds	44.37	97,541.31	59.19	
Water Liens			* 2,547.98	9,243.23
Cash on Hand				598.23
Misc. Billings	5,145.53			
Refunds	14.60	3,359.19	298.02	1,502.92
Cash on Hand				40.00
Water Connections	3,345.00			
Refunds	60.00	3,345.00	60.00	

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS:

Health &				
Sanitation	15,244.00	14,803.50	158.50	282.00
Sewer Acc/Rec.	1,440.00	680.00		760.00
Cash on Hand				5.00
Highway Acc/Rec.	174.50	57.00		117.50
School	1,353.62	1,017.26		336.36
Veteran's Benefits	5,814.57	5,774.57		40.00
Welfare	14,708.44	11,600.69	55.77	3,051.98
Old Age Assistance				
C & T	1,932.41	1,475.57	17.23	439.61
Old Age Assistance				
State	27,948.93	27,948.93		
Aid to Dependent				
Children	9,052.82	6,548.28		2,504.54

Disability Assistance	2,969.53	2,969.53
Municipal Liens	327.00	327.00

BETTERMENTS:

Apportioned Sewer added to 1958 Taxes	259.05	259.05		
Apportioned Sidewalk added to 1958 Taxes	31.20	31.20		
Committed Interest	89.32	89.32		
Unapportioned Sewer	14,411.35	2,763.67	65.00	11,582.68
Unapportioned Sidewalk	2,651.43	435.50	1,985.21	230.72
Sewer Betterment				
Paid in advance	1,167.16	1,167.16		
Sidewalk Betterment				
Paid in advance	45.00	45.00		
Apportioned Sewer added to 1959 taxes	2,229.21	1,926.41		
Tax Titles			34.32	268.48
Apportioned Sidewalk added to 1959 taxes	71.17	66.17		5.00
Committed Interest	752.29	647.32		
Tax Title			8.24	96.73
Water Liens, 1958	1,082.36	591.72		
Tax Title			6.54	484.10
Cash on Hand				119.12
Water Liens, 1959	2,547.98			
Refunds	9.36	1,593.26		
Tax Titles			47.48	916.60
* Deferred Revenue				





Board of Assessors

Report of the Board of Assessors for the year 1959

It has been the custom of the Board of Assessors for the past several years to submit some phase of assessing as their narrative for the Annual Town Report.

For the year 1959 we would choose to discuss the pros and cons of the retention of a "par value" on properties, both land and buildings, that are supposedly depreciating by means of obsolescence or poor management.

Against retaining "par value" we must submit to one obvious stronghold. That is to say, if the property because of its location or its functional value to produce income has become obsolete or outmoded and therefore does not have ability to reward its owner with sufficient revenue to pay a tax, it should follow that a lower assessment was in order. This fact and these conditions the Board must weigh and judge carefully.

In favor of retention of "par value" which is, quite truly, usually supported by the Board and not by the owner, our decision is usually one of comparison with similar building, ie: age and structure, and with relative locations. Because a building no longer houses its originally assigned use, does not necessarily mean that it ceases to be functional for some other purpose. This may also be applied to its location. That is to say, if it no longer may serve perhaps as a successful retail area, because of changing conditions, does not mean that all its functional value is lost.

If the Board does agree to lower assessments on the sole grounds that income has been lowered on a particular unit, then perhaps they provide a crutch for the owner so that his incentive to revive or renew inspired business conditions in that building or in that area will be destroyed.

To point directly to such property in our town one might ponder over the relative assessed valuations of two of our perhaps outmoded mills. One of them located in North Agawam, the other in Agawam Center. Assessing them correctly might play a large part in their survival as well as ours.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

The following is the report of the Board of Assessors for the year ending December 31, 1959:

Number of Horses Assessed	26
Number of Cows Assessed	20
Number of Neat Cattle Assessed	1
Number of Swine Assessed	27
Number of Fowls Assessed	2,035
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Total Number of Livestock Assessed	2,109
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	\$ 155,210.00
Value of Assessed Machinery	1,349,465.00
Value of Assessed Livestock	11,500.00
Value of All Other Tangible Property Assessed ...	883,525.00
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Total value of All Personal Property Assessed	\$ 2,399,700.00
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Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	4,050
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	12,150
Number of Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed	7,025
Number of 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 28, 1959.....	211
Number of 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed February 17, 1959	67
Number of 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed April 13, 1959	2
Value of Motor Vehicles and Trailers	\$ 3,941,060.00
Value of 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 28, 1959	186,140.00
Value of 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed February 17, 1959.....	39,950.00
Value of 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed April 13, 1959.....	2,950.00
Excise Tax Assessed on Motor Vehicles and Trailers	223,229.26

Excise Tax Assessed on 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed January 28, 1959	2,777.57
Excise Tax Assessed on 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed February 17, 1959.....	252.22
Excise Tax Assessed on 1958 Motor Vehicles and Trailers Assessed April 13, 1959	114.22

VALUATIONS

Value of Buildings Assessed	\$22,131,148.00
Value of Land Assessed	3,678,645.00
Total Value of Real Estate	\$25,809,793.00
Value of Personal Estate	2,399,700.00

Total Value of All Assessed Estate \$28,209,493.00
(upon which taxes have been levied
as follows)

County Tax	37,327.53
1958 Under Estimate	1,668.28
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	895.12
State Audit.....	3,388.22
State Parks and Reservations	6,493.43
Town Appropriation	2,841,544.55
Deficit due to abatements	3,733.98
Veterans Service District	7,339.19
Overlay of Current Year	69,510.25
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	\$ 2,971,900.55

LESS ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	\$ 184,480.99
Corporation Taxes	39,071.57
Reimbursement on Account of Publicly Owned Land	9,933.74
Old Age Tax (Meals) Ch. 64B S.10	2,320.03
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise.....	225,000.00
Licenses	17,500.00
Fines	1,350.00
Special Assessments	12,000.00
General Government	4,000.00
Protection of Persons and Property	900.00

Health and Sanitation	9,000.00
Charities	18,000.00
Old Age Assistance	34,000.00
Veterans Services	3,500.00
Schools	69,000.00
Libraries	150.00
Recreation	100.00
Public Service Enterprises	
(such as Water Dept.)	125,000.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	3,500.00
State Assistance for School Construction Chapter	
645 Acts of 1948	83,000.00
Farm Animal Excise	300.00
Housing Authority	1,500.00
In Lieu of Taxes	3,200.00
Total Estimated Receipts	\$ 846,806.33

Over Estimates 1958:

County Tuberculosis Hospital	402.37
State Recreation Area	69.80

Amounts Voted from Available Funds:

August 20, 1958	\$ 53,860.00		
October 3, 1958	5,700.00		
March 7, 1959	119,591.67		
March 7, 1959	131,062.83	\$ 310,214.50	\$ 1,157,493.00

Net amount to be raised by Taxation		\$ 1,814,407.55
Number of Polls 4,500 @ \$2.00	\$ 9,000.00	
Value of Personal Property		
\$ 2,399,700 @ \$64.00	153,580.80	
Value of Real Estate		
\$25,809,793 @ \$64.00	1,651,826.75	
		\$ 1,814,407.55





Police Department

I herewith submit my annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1959.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Arrests

Against Person	9
Against Property	40
Against Public Order, etc.	391
Total number of arrests	440
Convictions	362
Not guilty or dismissed	42
Pending	18
Turned over to other Police	18
Total amount of fines to Town	422
Total amount of fines to State or County	3072
Total amount of fines	3494
Total value of property recovered	\$41,248.85
Total amount taken in for revolver permits and dealers' licenses	295.00
Cases transported in ambulance	231
Medical cases transported in cruiser	205
Missing persons found and returned	2
Vacant homes checked	98
Daily check of business establishments	178
Number of accidents reported	177
Number of reportable personal injury accidents	107
Number of reportable property damage accidents	67
Number of fatal accidents	3

Total number of complaints received	613
Total number of traffic arrests	300
Total number of traffic warnings	460
Total number of dog complaints received	199

With the growth of the Town of Agawam, both in population and business, the work load on the Police Department has increased in the past year.

The uniform crime report compiled by the F.B.I. states that, while the estimated population increase in the country was three percent, the crime index was five times as great and will increase by a larger percentage in 1960. Arrested persons, age 18 and over, have increased one percent each year for the past five years, while the arrests of persons under 18 years increased about ten percent in the United States, and in the communities under 25,000 population, (Agawam is in this group) the increase of arrests for those under 18 years was a 12.6 percent increase.

This with the added traffic on our highways, and added business and manufacturing establishments in Agawam, makes it necessary for me to request added personnel.

In my requests is one for a Policewoman who will work with a male officer in all female and juvenile cases. This enables the Policewoman to note violations of the law and to recognize and correct conditions potentially dangerous to the health, morals, or welfare of women, children, or the community as a whole.

Particular attention is given to investigation of home conditions in cases handled by women.

That sympathy and understanding peculiar to women has enabled them to win and retain the confidence of large numbers with whom they come in contact. Complainants and defendants alike, talk freely on subjects which they would avoid discussing with male officers.

There may be some who feel that law enforcement is "a man's job", but today women serve in important posts in Government and all phases of business and professional life.

We in Law Enforcement would do well to utilize their dependable enthusiasm and service.

In the past year Officer Frank Evangelist attended the Police Officers Training School at the State Police Academy in Framingham, and Sergeants Kenneth Grady and Howard Minor attended the Superior Officers Refresher Course also at the State Police Academy.

I also had the privilege of attending a two-week course conducted by the F.B.I. in Boston on Police Administration.

Officer John Chriscola attended seven Safety Officers Meetings, gave seventeen talks and showings of movies to schools and organizations, delivered posters, pamphlets and calenders to all schools, and attended the Juvenile Delinquents Course in Holyoke.

No man stands so tall as he who stoops to help a child.

The Valley Bank has again contributed to our Safety program by supplying Scotch-lite tape to be used in our bicycle registration project.

As Chief of the Department, I express my fullest appreciation to the entire force for their loyal performance to arduous duties.

To the Selectmen, I again express my sincere thanks for their wholehearted cooperation.

To our Citizens, we will strive to merit your continued confidence in us. Guarding your Property and Welfare is our privileged duty and we will expend all efforts to continue Agawam as a good community in which to work and live.



AGAWAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL AND TOWN HALL, 1906

Sealer of Weights and Measures

As Sealer of Weights and Measures of the Town of Agawam I hereby submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

WEIGHING & MEASURING DEVICES

Adjusted	106
Sealed	758
Not Sealed	4
Condemned	23
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Totals	891

TRIAL WEIGHINGS AND MEASUREMENTS OF COMMODITIES SOLD OR PUT UP FOR SALE

Total Number Tested	1025
Number Correct	690
Under	283
Over	52

INSPECTIONS

Peddler's Licenses	15
Marking of Bread	46
Marking of Food Pkgs.	271
Clinical Thermometers	127
Ice Scales	2
Junk Scales	3
Oil Jars	8
Other Inspections, Out of Town Oil Trucks	6
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Totals	478

SEALERS WORK SUMMARY

Devices Sealed Adjusted Condemned	887
Trial Weighings and Measurements	1025
Inspections	478
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Totals	2390

Sealing Fees Collected and turned into Town Treasurer \$369.45

This past year our town has enjoyed a considerable growth in Business and industry. With this commercial growth came 54 more weighing and measuring devices to be tested and sealed annually.

All too often we look only at the price of a package to determine if it fits our budget, yet we do not consider if the pounds and ounces correspond with the unit price as printed on the label. How many of us check our fuel oil bills to determine if the gallons received coincide with the total bill.

It is well to be reminded that scales and meters are money machines. Although they are tested and sealed as accurate devices, they are still machines and are not infallible, nor are the people who operate them free from making errors.

Packages on sale in Agawam come from all over the world. Some of the countries where these packages come from have absolutely no weights and measures control. Closer to home some of our states are behind in weights and measures enforcement.

As your sealer I ask you to check your purchases and report to this department any deficiencies noted.

Tree Warden

The year 1959 finds the Town of Agawam in comparative good shape in regards to dangerous and bad trees. Our largest tree in town which has been a landmark seems destined to go soon. The scourge of Dutch Elm will soon take its due.

The bright spot in our Forestry Department is our tree planting program. Trees which were planted a few years ago now appear to be on the way to showing that trees can make this town beautiful.

We had our share of misfortune from the unusual cold weather of 1958-59. We did lose some trees which had to be replaced.

Our tree feeding program initiated last year will show its effect of faster growth for our newly planted trees.

I extend my thanks to the various departments such as Police and Department of Public Works for their assistance during the year when we encountered heavy winds and storms.



Building Inspector

In the year 1959 business permits showed a phenomenal upward surge from the past few years. This year business permits totaled \$2,139,050 compared to \$278,150 in 1958.

For the first time in recent Agawam history, business permit dollar value exceeded the combined value in the other five categories. This is extremely encouraging and shows the confidence of investors in the commercial and industrial future of Agawam.

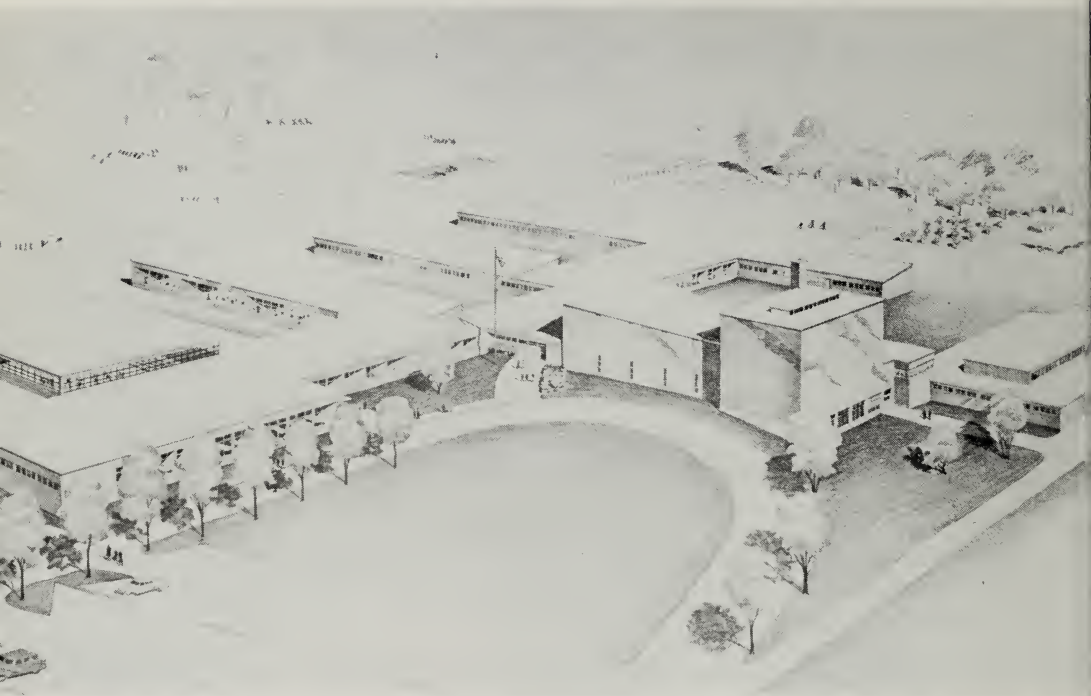
At this writing it is difficult to forecast the building activity for 1960. Plans for industrial and commercial buildings which are under consideration by builders will depend entirely on the action of the Planning Board and at the Town Meeting in March. Speculative Builders of dwellings have indicated that plans being prepared for 1960 will surpass the total dwelling permits issued in 1959 by approximately 35 percent.

Zoning By-Law violation in 1959 were far too numerous and the demand on the Inspector's time was unusual and only after drastic action in several cases by the Building Department was a decline in violations noted in the last three months of the year.

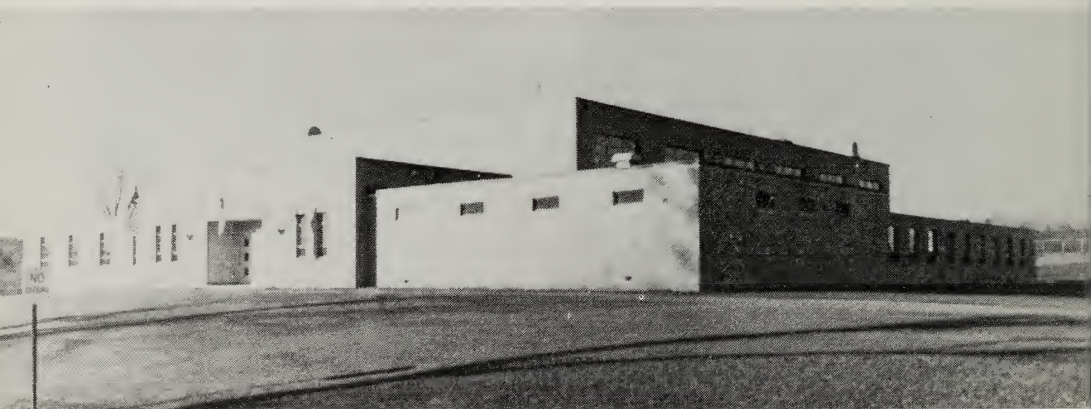
Many cases of building without a permit were found; these were warned and construction halted by posting "Stop Work Order" for a definite period before a permit was issued.

Periodic inspection of Churches, Night Clubs, Bars, Schools and places of public assembly showed that of these places, nearly 100% were observing the Public

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NEW HIGH SCHOOL



NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY — TO BE BUILT IN 1960



AGAWAM LANES — NEW BOWLING CENTER



H. P. HOOD & SONS PLANT

Health, Fire, Building and Zoning Codes and are to be commended for their excellent cooperation.

The number of permits issued in 1959 and their value were:

90 New Dwellings	\$ 1,024,200.00
59 New Garages	46,320.00
29 New Businesses	2,139,050.00
107 Additions & Alterations	116,043.00
33 Miscellaneous	648,954.00
30 Demolitions	none
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348	\$ 3,974,567.00

The Building Department wishes to thank the Selectmen, Police, Fire, Health, Engineering and other departments for their cooperation and help without which investigation and enforcement would be extremely difficult.



WEST STREET SCHOOL, 1995 — NOW GRANGE HALL



Health Department

I herewith submit my report for 1959 on the activities, programs, and responsibilities for the Health Department. It is with sincere sorrow that during the year the Health Dept. has lost thru death Miss Clara Williams, an untiring nurse and an understanding humanitarian.

In 1959 all programs in prevention and education were stepped up. The Tuberculin testing was continued in the school system. A total of 807 were done, 783 children and 24 adults. This year marked the first time that we did first graders, seventh graders and juniors in the high school. Continuing on this system, we hope to have every child in the school system tested every six years to afford better health. Dr. Kohn, Dr. Wein, and Dr. Romano performed this clinic assisted by the Town Public Health Nurses and the School Nurses.

In furthering our prevention program against T. B. we had the mobile chest x-ray facilities available to the townspeople thru the cooperation of the Hampden County Tuberculosis Association during a week in October. A total of 942 people took advantage of the free chest x-ray.

In June and July, with the rise of polio cases throughout the country, the Department cooperated with the town doctors in conducting for the first time, a polio clinic available to all residents of Agawam whether they be adults or children. A total for the two clinics was 1297. The most significant fact was that a great number were adults receiving their first shot of polio vaccine. A great deal of thanks must be extended to the doctors and to the volunteers from the Mother's March on Polio organization for making this a milestone in preventing polio.

In November, a Food Handler's Course was conducted for the School Cafeteria Workers. Films, conferences, and question and answer sessions, along with demonstrations provided the workers with added knowledge about their work. Attendance

to these classes were 100% and this fact should be noted and the workers themselves commended.

During the summer I was able to show a new film called "Rescue Breathing" to members of the police and fire departments, health and hospital personnel of our town and the surrounding towns. The object of the film is the demonstration of a new accepted method of artificial respiration, namely mouth to mouth. I also showed the film to the students of the Junior High School and the Senior High School during December. I believe this film to be of great value in its purpose and highly educational.

I was fortunate to be selected to help arrange and speak at the Public Health Institution on Health Administration at the University of Massachusetts sponsored by the State Health Department. The Institution was attended by health officials from all of Western Massachusetts.

During this year the members of the Boards of Health in Hampden County joined together and formed an Association. It is hoped thru this association that towns with mutual health problems may get together and solve them.

In 1959 there were 13 premature babies born in Agawam, a decrease of 12 from the previous year. The department issued aid to two of these in the form of payment of hospital care. Sixty six days of hospital care were involved, amounting to \$792. This department also paid out \$454.50 for hospital care of tuberculosis.

There were one hundred and eleven deaths reported to the Town Clerk's office. This is exactly the same as in 1958. However, heart disease is still the leading cause with 35.2% of the total. 19.8% were caused by cancer, which is an increase of 7.8% over 1958. 14.8% of the deaths were by cerebral causes. The remaining 30.2% were made up by pneumonia, arteriosclerosis, prematurity, stillborns and accidents.

There were 405 communicable diseases reported to the Health Department in 1959.

<i>Disease</i>	<i>Cases</i>
Chicken Pox	125
German Measles	11
Measles	12
Mumps	99
Salmonellosis	1
Scarlet Fever	44
Tuberculosis (pulmonary)	2
Dog bites	108
Rat bites	2
Meningitis	1

Comments on the diseases reported are just on mumps which had an increase of 77 over 1958 and scarlet fever which also had an increase of 31 from the previous year. Measles were low, a decrease of 158, however next year we will probably have a rise. Concerning the dog bites reported, there was a sharp increase of 45.

The following figures are an abridged statistical breakdown of the work involved in the Health Department.

Laboratory analyses (including milk, milk products, water, restaurant utensils and urinalysis)	111
Outside Sewer connections	127
Septic tank installation inspections	44
Environmental sanitation inspections and investigation	167
Restaurant and Food establishment inspections	88
Camps, Day Nurseries and School Inspections	12
Health Counseling	42

There was a total of 173 licenses and permits issued.

Methyl Alcohol	5
Masseur	2
Day Camp and Kindergarten.....	3
Ice Cream Manufacture	3
Pasteurization Plants	2
Sale of Oleomargarine	15
Milk, Sale of	43
Common Victuallers	54
Septic Tank permits	44
Funeral Directors	2

Forecast for future program needs should include mosquito control program, and indications for some programming in mental health and also for the aged.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Board of Health for their assistance and confidence, and the Town Public Health nurses for their loyal cooperation and assistance, and to our new clerk Mrs. Ellen Tisdell. I wish to extend to all departments, a courteous thank you for their cooperation with our department.



Town Public Health Nurse

As Health Agent, I would like to present a short consensus of the purpose and goals of the Town Public Health Nurse before they begin their actual reports. In recent years medicine and the health profession has been developed, altered and progressed to a high degree of efficiency and still is. To keep pace with this, the Public Health Nurses have placed a great effort on education for themselves and for the townspeople. Methods, duties, and functions of the Public Health Nurse have increased the emphasis on self care by the patient by educating the patient or some member of the family. More emphasis is now being placed on preventive medicine and health counseling than ever before. The two foremost problems confronting the nurses today are Mental Health and Care for the Aged. By keeping close contact with the home, school, and community, together with other town agencies, is a method of developing a better nursing section, with better functions.

Town Public Health Nurses report as follows:

The functions and duties cover:

- I. Family Health Supervision

A. the premature infant

B. the preschool child

C. the adult

D. the handicapped
- II. Communicable Disease Control

A. tuberculosis

B. all other communicable

C. prevention and care of
- III. Clinic Services

A. Diagnostic Clinic
(Tuberculosis)

B. immunization clinic

C. preschool conference

D. referral to clinics
(crippled children,
dental, skin, mental)
- IV. Other Services

A. Health education

B. Mental hygiene

C. Nutrition

D. Health supervision
of playgrounds and
recreational facilities
in summer months.

The total visits for the year were 3115 made by the two Public Health Nurses. Of that total 952 were in behalf of Public Health.

		Visits on behalf of	
Health Service		Communicable Diseases	
Premature Babies	54	School	574
Crippled Children	12	Scarlet Fever.....	44
Mental Health	54	Typhoid	2
Pre Natal	26	Salmonella	9
Post Natal	124	Meningitis	2
	—	T. B.	51
	270		—
			682

The remaining 2163 visits to patients were comprised of nursing services referred to us by hospitals, doctors and other health agencies.

CLINICS —

Since the Well Baby Conference Clinics have been decentralized and located in the schools, Dr. Hausmann has been able to give more consulting time to the mothers and their problems. A total of 157 babies made 466 visits to 21 clinics.

- 133 babies — received boosters of triple antigen and polio vaccine
- 33 babies — completed triple antigen shot series
- 58 babies — smallpox vaccinations
- 49 babies — third polio vaccine injections

Immunization Clinics

The Mantoux tuberculin testing was again done in September in cooperation with the School Dept. nurses. A total of 807 persons were tested. 783 children and 24 adults. An additional polio booster clinic was performed on first graders, primarily for those who needed the fourth polio injection, with parents permission. A total of 99 children were done.

In June and July a town wide polio clinic was put on for adults as well as children. Dr. Kohn, Dr. Wein, and Dr. Romano contributed their services and time in making these two clinics a success. A total of 1297 townspeople received polio vaccine .

During the year, the nurses attended several conferences and training courses to keep abreast of current problems.

We attended in January the annual meeting of Massachusetts Public Health Association held in Boston, and also the Diabetic Clinic Conference at the Noble Hospital in Westfield. On May 4th we attended the Alcoholic Clinic Conference at the Westfield Sanatorium.

Mrs. Cascella, and Mrs. Egbert attended an In Service Training course on Maternal and Child Health Services. It lasted from October thru to December and will continue on thru 1960.

On December 15th, Mrs. Cascella attended a seminar in Springfield with Mrs. Larson, Welfare Agent.

We wish to thank all the other Town Departments and Agencies who have cooperated with us throughout the year.

We would like to say that in our department, there is a void due to the unexpected death of Miss Williams, however, her spirit and concern for the townspeople still linger on in our everyday performance of duties.

Animal Inspector

I herewith submit my report for the year 1959:

Barns Inspected	26
Number of Dairy Cows	253
Number of Calves	160
Number of Bulls	8
Number of Steers	23
Number of Horses	11
Number of Swine	888
Number of Sheep	16
Number of Dog bites	108

The most significant fact is the number of dog bites that had occurred. Perhaps the increase of families owning dogs can account for this number. I would like to caution the dog owners to be particularly careful of their dogs because of the responsibility involved.

Commercial Slaughter Inspector

In March, Mr. Artem Honchar resigned, however his report covers his duties for that period of time.

Calves	280
Lambs	69
Beef Cattle	13

Domestic Slaughter and Meat Inspector

Mr. Herbert G. Taylor made ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections of the following animals.

Hogs	161
Calves	310
Steers	3
Sheep	6

Plumbing Inspector

Due to the illness of Mr. Desmarais, the Plumbing Inspector, all safety valve, hot water heater and other inside plumbing inspections were handled by the assistant for the year 1959. Septic tank and outside sewer connection inspections are made by the Health Agent, gas inspections by the Building Inspector. Only in their absence does the Plumbing Inspector perform this duty. I received and made 456 inspections.

Some violations of the Plumbing Code were found, but when the plumbers were notified they were usually quick and cooperative in making the necessary corrections.



FEEDING HILLS GRAMMAR SCHOOL AND TOWN HALL, 1903



Department of Public Works

The Department of Public Works has accomplished a great deal of work during the past year in new construction, reconstruction and servicing the wants and needs of the citizens of Agawam. We have found that in dividing our personnel within the five sections of the Public Works Department, the workings of the Department have been much more efficient and satisfactory to all.

In order to acquaint the Townspeople with the personnel of our Department and the sections in which they operate, we submit herewith the following chart:

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Morris E. Lundberg

SENIOR WORKING FOREMAN

Donald J. Campbell

OFFICE CLERKS

Annette I. O'Keefe, Sr. Clerk

Carol J. Taylor, Jr. Clerk

HIGHWAY SECTION

Leonard Belcher, Working Foreman

Anthony Santinello

Edward Goyette

John Feriole

Russell Baker

Paul LaFleur

Harvey Cusson

Frederick Robinson

Frank Sassarone

SEWER SECTION

Kenneth Avondo, Working Foreman

Leo Dumond

Arthur Provost

Walter Kane

WATER SECTION

Edward Connor, Jr., Working Foreman

Joseph Melloni

Alfred LaPlante

Marco Cammisa

Francis Connor

Albert Fusick, Meter Reading Foreman

Wilbur Beauchane

RUBBISH SECTION

Francis Blanch
Leodore Champigny
Reno Rescia

YARDMAN

Henry Otto

ENGINEERING SECTION

Frank A. Rueli
Raymond Saracino
Maurice Gloster

EQUIPMENT MECHANICS

Delmo Draghetti
Joseph Cusson, Alternate

HIGHWAY SECTION: During 1959 the following streets were resurfaced by Town Forces:

School Street	7000 lin. ft.	Edgewater Road	800 lin. ft.
Edward Street	800 lin. ft.	Mill Street	3500 lin. ft.
Albert Street	800 lin. ft.	High Street	1000 lin. ft.
Wyman Street	200 lin. ft.	Highland Avenue	1000 lin. ft.
Garden Street	5000 lin. ft.	Poplar Street	4000 lin. ft.
Channel Drive	600 lin. ft.	Silver Lake Drive	1600 lin. ft.
Valentine Street	1000 lin. ft.	Lincoln Street	950 lin. ft.
Colonial Avenue	800 lin. ft.		

The following streets were reconstructed by Town Forces:

Wright Street	1000 lin. ft.	Poplar Street	1000 lin. ft.
Colemore Street	1600 lin. ft.	Lincoln Street	150 lin. ft.

South Westfield Street was relocated, resurfaced and guard rails installed at Taylor's Bridge, approximately 800 lin. ft.

600 lin. ft. of roadway was widened on Barry Street near South West Street to eliminate a dangerous narrow strip which hampered snow removal operations and school busses.

500 lin. ft. of sidewalk was constructed on Begley Street and 200 lin. ft. reconstructed on Springfield Street. General maintenance of sidewalks was carried on throughout the Town, particularly in the North Agawam section.

Unpaved streets were treated with a total of 23,600 gallons of bituminous dust layer, covering approximately 13,250 lin. ft. Many guard rail posts were replaced and repaired throughout the Town.

Berms were installed on the following streets by Town Forces:

Line Street	250 lin. ft.	Silver Street	500 lin. ft.
Springfield Street	100 lin. ft.	High Street	300 lin. ft.

Chapter 90 Maintenance funds were used to install 300' of berm at the corner of Springfield and Mill Streets at the Sacred Heart Church. On North West Street,

8400 lin. ft. resurfaced and shoulders cleaned from Southwick Street to North Street Extension. North Westfield Street was resurfaced and shoulders cleaned 7000 lin. ft. South Street was resurfaced 5000 lin. ft. Suffield Street was resurfaced at the State Line 1000 lin. ft. Silver Street resurfaced 2000 lin. ft. On Suffield Street, 600 lin. ft. of sub-drains were installed to improve drainage conditions. Southwick Street 600 lin. ft. of sub-drains were cleaned.

SEWER SECTION: Sanitary Sewers were constructed by Town Forces on the following streets:

Springfield Street	250 lin. ft.	Editha Avenue	450 lin. ft.
Maple Avenue	500 lin. ft.	Poplar Street	750 lin. ft.
Colonial Avenue	400 lin. ft.	Lincoln Street	150 lin. ft.
Begley Street	650 lin. ft.		

Sanitary sewers installed under contract on the following streets:

Shoemaker Lane	1850 lin. ft.	Silver Lake Drive	1300 lin. ft.
Silver Street	1360 lin. ft.	Meadow Street	2100 lin. ft.

The Adams Street sanitary sewer is completed with the exception of final clean up work which will be done as soon as weather permits. The Moore & Valley Street sewer and pumping station is now under construction as is the Westfield River Interceptor Supplementary Syphon. The sanitary sewer on Line Street was extended 400 lin. ft. to service four new homes now under construction.

Storm drains were installed by Town Forces on the following streets:

Colemore Street	90 lin. ft.	Edward Street	175 lin. ft.
Begley Street	500 lin. ft.		plus 2 catch basins
High Street	40 lin. ft.		

Many storm drains were cleaned throughout the Town. 112 plugged sewers were taken care of and 58 sewer connections were made. 75 miscellaneous sewer complaints were serviced during the year. Many of these services were rendered at night, Sundays and Holidays.

WATER SECTION: With the hope that in time we will replace all 2" water lines in Town, the following 2" lines were replaced by Town forces on the following streets:

Maple Avenue	500 lin. ft.	Maynard Street	200 lin. ft.
Randall Street	150 lin. ft.	Lincoln Street	300 lin. ft.
Shoemaker Lane	3000 lin. ft.		plus one hydrant
Begley Street	500 lin. ft.	Editha Avenue	450 lin. ft.

81 water lines were renewed for homeowners and 57 new connections were installed. 614 miscellaneous water service calls were made. 125 new meters were installed and 85 defective water meters were repaired or replaced. Several hydrants

were raised in various sections of the Town in order to make them more accessible to the Fire Department.

Snow plowing and sanding routes were made up and given to our various drivers in order to cover the Town more efficiently and also avoid duplicating efforts in snow removal and sanding operations. A storage building for salt and sand is being rented at Feeding Hills Center in order to service that section of the Town more efficiently.

The rubbish pickup schedule is divided into six sections with a pickup in each section every three weeks. Schedule cards are available at the Public Works office. The garbage collection is contracted.

ENGINEERING SECTION: Our Engineering Section is called upon to do many phases of our work, such as drawing plans and specifications for sewer and water construction; street acceptance plans; specifications for gasoline bids; specifications for fuel oil bids for Town buildings; laying out of public streets; street numbering; inspection of driveway constructions throughout the Town and inspection of new streets in housing developments and inspection work on contract jobs.

The following streets were accepted in 1959: Henry Street; Cherry Street; Oxford Street; Begley Street; Parker Street and Maple Avenue.

Following is a summary of work accomplished during 1959:

Resurfacing	9.92 miles
Dust layer applied	2.5 miles
Water lines installed59 miles
Sanitary sewers installed	1.87 miles
Storm drains installed42 miles
Reconstruction64 miles
Type I Blacktop28 miles

NEW EQUIPMENT: A four wheel payloador was purchased and this equipment has proven invaluable in our excavation work and also in the snow removal program. A new four-ton dump truck was also purchased to replace an old 1½-ton dump truck.

It may be noted that the majority of sewer and water construction work as well as road reconstruction and resurfacing was accomplished with our own Town Forces in place of letting this work out on contract as was done in the past, and it has proven to be a financial advantage to the Town of Agawam.

It is our hope that we will continue to serve the citizens of Agawam to the best of our ability and hope the townspeople will continue to cooperate with our Department in order that we may give the best possible service which they desire.

Planning Board

The Agawam Planning Board herewith submits the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The Board had an extremely busy year holding twelve regular meetings and thirteen special meetings. Eight of the special meetings were with the committee appointed by the Moderator for revision of the Zoning By-Laws. Eleven hearings were held for zone changes and one hearing for a subdivision, making a total of twenty-five meetings for the year.

With the recent addition of increased lot sizes, Industrial A and Industrial B areas, and excellent subdivision rules and regulations, we are trying to protect the present homeowners as well as the future homeowners. We are hopeful that our two Industrial areas will encourage our Industrial Development Commission to bring new business to Agawam, while we as a Planning Board also do everything within our power to encourage business and industry to settle in our town.

The town meeting members have followed our recommendations in the town meetings, granting seven zone changes and refusing four. After careful thought and consideration and also listening to officials from the Massachusetts Department of Commerce, we have made application for a Master Plan for the Town of Agawam. Such advice from experts working with your planning board will help Agawam to become a well planned Community for many years ahead. Your planning board spends many hours each year trying to make Agawam an excellent community to build your home in and to encourage future business and industrial growth. We cordially invite all interested citizens to attend our meetings which are held the second Thursday of each month.

Welfare Department

There have been several changes in the personnel of this department. Mrs. Leafie Maynard who served so faithfully for over thirty years retired July 1, 1959. Mrs. Edith Larsen, the Social Worker, passed the required Civil Service examination and was certified in August to be the new Director of Public Assistance. There was also a change in clerks. We are fortunate to have secured the services of Mrs. Verna Allen and Mrs. Lois Buiniskas to fill these positions, as well as Mrs. Cecelia Jacobs to fill the Social Worker's position.

Board meetings have been held regularly. We feel the department work is being carried on in accordance with the State Department of Public Welfare laws and policies.

Financial requests for the year of 1960 will be slightly higher due to an increase in medical bills and hospitalization of all categories of relief.



Director of Public Assistance

The personnel of this Department has completely changed during this past year. The new group will extend every effort to carry on the work in the excellent manner set up by our predecessors.

The Department greatly misses Mrs. Leafie Maynard who so efficiently carried on as Agent after the death of Mr. Kerr. We are most thankful to her for the training and advice she so willingly gave us. May she have a well deserved, happy retirement.

Our costs have increased but whenever possible cases that were eligible were put on one of the categories of relief whereby we receive State and Federal reimbursement for a large share of aid granted.

Old Age Assistance is our largest category. There was a considerable increase in number this past year as well as an increase for medical and hospitalization.

We have been able to transfer several chronically ill General Relief cases to Disability Assistance. Our Aid to Dependent Children cases require a great deal of work as it is a constant problem to collect as much as possible through the courts from separated or deserting fathers. Also it is necessary to work with these mothers so that the children will have as normal a life as possible when the fathers are incapacitated or have deserted.

Our work is more efficient because of the cooperation and help of the personnel of the other departments of the Town. We are most grateful to all especially to the Health Agent and nurses who have saved us a great deal through their services to the ill, and to the Town Accountant who has so willingly helped us with the accounts.

Agawam Clearing House

This was set up to coordinate private charities and make it possible for all groups that donate for Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets and camperships to clear names through a central place so there will not be duplications. All names for these donations are received from the churches, schools, Veterans' Service, Health and Welfare Departments. Donations of clothing, furniture and other useful articles are also collected and delivered through this Clearing House.

We wish to thank the organizations and people of this town who have so generously contributed this past year.

Council For the Aging

The Council for the Aging met on a number of occasions during the year 1959. Among major developments was the approval of a Housing Unit for Senior Citizens given by Town Meeting Members at the Annual meeting last March. Some delay has been occasioned in the building of this Unit due to differences between our Local Housing Authority and an official of the State Board. It is expected that these differences will be resolved and in the Spring of 1960 actual building operations will begin. Applications for residence in the Housing Unit will be received at the proper time and notice will be given to our senior citizens of the basis for admission.

The Council continues to issue identification cards which provide discounts at certain stores to our senior citizens. More and more organizations are providing free admission to our seniors as social, dramatic, educational and athletic events take place in our community. We hope this will become a universal practice.

Members of the Council are available for conference and help at any time and a Council member meets regularly with Senior Citizens. It is our sincere hope to become increasingly valuable to the life of our town's senior citizens, providing them with the fullest possible resources available in our town and through the agency of the Massachusetts Council for the Aging with whom our local Council is affiliated.



Veterans' Agent

During the year 1959 the office of Veterans' Services expended the sum of \$26,911.29 in aid to Veterans and their dependents.

Agawam's share of the cost of administering the office came to \$7,493.31.

The Congress enacted the New Veterans' Pension Bill known as Public Law 86-211.

This new law modified the pension program of WW I, WW II and Korean Conflict Veterans, Widows and Dependent Children. It provides for a sliding scale of pensions based on income status of the recipient. Hundreds of inquiries have been made at this office relative to the new law.

The placing of WW II and Korean Widows and Children on the same basis as those of WW I means, that a great number of new claims for pension will be filed by this office in 1960.

Although the new law doesn't become effective until July 1, 1960, we intend to process claims in advance, thereby spreading the work over a longer period of time. This is necessary because of our limited office staff.

The processing of Pension and Disability Claims is an important function of this office in particular if the claimant is a recipient of aid. When a pension is awarded the amount received by the Veteran, Widow or Dependent Children, is deducted from the sum he may be receiving from the Town, thereby reducing the Town's cost of aid.

It is anticipated that the cost of aid to Veterans will continue to rise. This is due to the aging of Veterans and the increased requirement of medical and hospital needs.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation during the past year.

Libraries

During October, November and December, North Agawam and Feeding Hills Libraries were open an extra day, making two days a week. Both of these need to be open at least two days, but we cannot be open unless more money is appropriated. It was much better for both Librarians and children who had to get their books and get a school bus. It is very hard to manage so many books and give the children the help they need in looking up their School Assignments. The young people are using the Libraries more than the adults and especially for reference work.

A Friends of the Library Association was formed this year to help the Libraries and Librarians.

The Agawam Library could use a Children's Room. North Agawam is very much cramped for space, and Feeding Hills Library is in need of repairs.

	No. of Books	Borrowers	Circulation
Feeding Hills	9000	730	9152
North Agawam	6290	1168	17,563
Agawam Center	9500	1650	34,548



SUFFIELD STREET SCHOOL, 1903

Agawam Public Schools

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

James Clark
Telephone RE 9-1564
Address: 28 Reed Street

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Junior High School Building — 8:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.
Appointments should be arranged in advance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Mrs. Kathleen Arnold

HOURS IN SESSION

Senior High School
8:00 a. m. — 2:00 p. m.

Junior High School
9:00 a. m. — 3:05 p. m.

Elementary Schools
8:30 a. m. — 2:30 p. m.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Term Expires
Paul J. Adams, <i>Chairman</i>	1962
Katherine G. Danahy, <i>Secretary</i>	1960
Stewart Safford	1960
Elizabeth Pond	1961
Philip J. DeForge	1961
Hollis F. Kane	1962

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 9, 1959 to June 24, 1960

1959

Sept.	9	Wednesday	Schools open — beginning of school year
Oct.	12	Monday	Schools closed — Columbus Day
	23	Friday	Schools closed — Teachers' Convention Day
Nov.	11	Wednesday	Schools closed — Veterans' Day
	26	Thursday	Schools closed — Thanksgiving Vacation
	27	Friday	Wednesday, November 25 — schools close Senior High 11:00 a.m.; Elementary 11:30 a.m.; Junior High 12:00 noon
	30	Monday	Schools reopen
Dec.	23	Wednesday	Schools close for Christmas Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day

1960

Jan.	4	Monday	Schools reopen
Feb.	22	Monday	Schools closed — Washington's Birthday
	26	Friday	Schools closed for Midwinter Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day
March	7	Monday	Schools reopen
April	15	Friday	Schools closed — Good Friday
	19	Tuesday	Schools closed — Patriots' Day
	29	Friday	Schools close for Spring Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day
May	9	Monday	Schools reopen
	30	Monday	Schools closed — Memorial Day
June	20	Monday	Beginning of last week of school year Elementary schools close at 11:30 a.m. Junior High School closes at 12:00 noon Senior High School closes at 11:00 a.m.
	24	Friday	Schools close for Summer Vacation — end of school year

(182 school days)

September 9, 1959 to December 23, 1959 — 71 days; January 4, 1960 to February 26, 1960 — 39 days; March 7, 1960 to April 29, 1960 — 38 days; May 9, 1960 to June 24, 1960 — 34 days.

School Committee

Miss Danahy's decision to retire from School Committee membership after twelve years of service will be a loss to education in Agawam and the State. Her active participation in the Massachusetts School Committee Association, plus a past award as outstanding school committee member of the year, attest to her wide recognition as an educator. Students, teachers, administrators, townspeople and fellow committee members echo a sincere vote of thanks for a job well done.

The Agawam School Committee reports to taxpayers it was able to live within a cut budget due to a drop of about two hundred in anticipated enrollment. A return of unexpended funds was thus realized. This return was made after necessary repairs, replacements and outlays originally outlined in the budget, and which time permitted, were made to maintain the Agawam Public School system in good condition. The School Committee points out that a larger enrollment than expected, also the opening of a new building, could result in a deficit for another year.

A constant evaluation of staff, educational product and future growth of the Agawam Public School system has been made by school committee members through regular and special meetings, reactions of interested citizens, Parent Teacher Associations, administrative reports and direct observation. We feel progress has been made and welcome the constructive criticism of the citizens of Agawam. An awakened interest in the vital role education plays in the strength of the State and the Nation seems not too far off. The National Defense Education Act made available \$5600.00 to Agawam for 1959 and an equal amount for 1960 for mathematics, science, guidance, and language improvements.

The Committee suggests that the educational needs of Agawam in regard to kindergartens, building needs for a growing community, adequate staff — attracted through good salaries and good equipment — may be realized through greater State and National support. The way does not lie in forcing school committee members to violate their oath of office. The School Committee is an agent of the State, subject to the laws of the State. The control and responsibility of the citizens of the town is in the election of school committee members.

The present enrollment in the Agawam Schools is 3605. An increase of 200 pupils is projected for September. The births in 1949 were 211; births in 1959 were about 350. These statistics confirm the School Committee's repeated request for either an addition to an existing school or a new school every two years to avoid double sessions. The new Robinson Park Elementary School is a welcome addition to our school plant and will relieve double sessions and overcrowding on the elementary level.

The serious shortage of room will be experienced in the Senior High School in September 1960. The Committee recommends the addition of twelve to fourteen

rooms to this building. The highest percentage of student population increase from Survey Committee and administrative records is in the Junior High area. Citizens of Agawam should review the report submitted by the Survey Committee in 1958, plus School Committee recommendations suggested for an economic and educationally sound solution to present and immediate future needs.

The School Committee commends Town Meeting Members for the appointment of a Sidewalk Survey Committee and will cooperate fully with this group with the hope that transportation costs may be stabilized and possibly reduced.

Financial Statement

December 31, 1959

Town Appropriation	\$1,247,108.00
Transfer from Excess and Deficiency Fund 10/26/59 ...	2,340.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund 12/31/59	1,097.90
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	\$1,250,545 90

EXPENDITURES

General Expense	\$ 23,030.18
Expenses of Instruction	815,207.61
Textbooks	19,337.30
Stationary and Supplies	14,601.12
Janitors' Salaries	83,666.67
Fuel	26,201.21
Misc. Operating Expense & Janitors' Supplies	33,801.40
Repairs and Replacements	31,812.19
Libraries	1,147.73
Health	15,946.94
Transportation	97,837.90
Insurance	13,206.95
Tuition	13,962.39
Miscellaneous Expense	1,607.92
Adult Education	4,602.39
Outlay, New Equipment	12,288.24
Vocational Household Arts	3,532.43
School Athletic	3,638.22
Manual Arts	5,662.74
Travel Outside Commonwealth	600.00
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	\$1,221,691.53

Superintendent of Schools

We in education cannot avoid repeating year after year the same pleas: the need for more classrooms, a change in financial support from the property tax to greater State and Federal assistance, better teachers' salaries to attract our share of top people, more research in teaching methods and aids, the need for helping teachers, guidance counsellors, phychologists and psychiatrists to work with emotionally upset children and parents, adequately supported and staffed institutions to which mistreated children could be referred and where the products of broken homes, cruel treatment, and desertion could be rehabilitated.

The need for education is greater perhaps in other countries than in the United States but our needs are also serious and vary from State to State and community to community. We feel that the survival of the United States depends upon educational support. The hydrogen and atom bombs have eliminated war as an agent of strength, superiority and survival. It remains to be seen whether the democracies or the totalitarian states will gain supremacy through judicious support and employment of education.

The Agawam Educational Staff has grown to one hundred and sixty-three members. Teachers are still in short supply. Agawam High School graduates, who have entered the teaching profession, have helped in staffing our schools.

Interested citizens may evaluate the effectiveness of our Public School System through a study of the High School Evaluation, a review of the testing results in the Junior High, and an inspection of the achievement tests in grades I through VI. A visit to the science fairs on all levels would also interest citizens. Our guidance office has records on the placement of graduates in colleges, industry, and training beyond the high school level. We are happy to note the increase in the area of Adult Education in Agawam and have tried to satisfy the needs of the community through a constant adaptation of the program.

The opening of the Robinson Park Elementary School of twenty rooms to a full program in September will relieve over-crowding in the elementary area. We wish we could state that plant needs were thus solved for a number of years but such is not the case.

A projected enrollment increase of 200 for September 1960 confirms the School Committee's request of the past five years for a new building or an addition — every two years — to avoid double sessions.

The investigations of the School Committee and the report of the independently appointed Survey Committee are in substantial agreement on plant needs. The Senior High will be seriously overcrowded if it has to house grades nine through 12 in September 1960. Immediate action for relief on this level should be initiated.

Economies could be realized if town meeting members would support the purchase of sites for future schools. Each year the cost of land goes up. School sites in strategic locations and of adequate size would accommodate the future educational needs and aid recreational needs in Agawam. We have a growing community which can attract good industry and fine homes if education and recreation may be used as selling points. This recommendation is supported by the research of the United States Chamber of Commerce, which states that better education leads to a better community plus a higher standard of living.

The budget increase of approximately \$138,500. is a gross total. Taxpayers should note that \$25,000. was returned and that \$36,000. more in State aid will ease this increase in the 1960 budget. Estimated total receipts — reimbursement by the commonwealth and other receipts — for the year 1959 amount to \$267,800.29. Interested taxpayers may check per pupil costs through the Massachusetts State Department of Education and the Massachusetts Teachers Association research reports.

We ask the citizens of Agawam to investigate the history of education in Massachusetts and the Nation carefully before they vote through their general assembly members to turn the financial control of schools over to politicians rather than School Committees. This experiment has been tried before and has resulted in a return to School Committee control but the interim setback to education has been serious.

The property tax has long been recognized as unsatisfactory to support education and other local needs. Many community leaders are aware of this and look to a change in basic tax structure to remedy the situation.

REIMBURSEMENT BY COMMONWEALTH AND OTHER RECEIPTS

	1958	1959
Chapter 70 (Teachers' Salaries)	\$ 147,707.65	\$ 154,662.65
Chapter 71 (Transportation)	59,246.45	74,273.70
Agricultural Instruction	2,465.75	
Vocational Household Arts	2,998.68	3,067.50
Adult Education	481.87	2,144.30
Trade School Tuition	3,681.68	13,249.13
Tuition and Transportation of State Wards	450.15	908.61
Transportation of Pupils to Vocational Schools	403.70	453.70
Tuition received from other Towns	1,364.09	1,017.26
Received from Manual Training Department	548.39	711.71
Received from Rental of School Property	656.00	865.00
Miscellaneous Receipts	89.87	267.79

Braille Teacher	1,499.20	1,302.80
Special Education	10,013.75	14,876.14
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	\$ 231,607.23	\$ 267,800.29

COST OF SCHOOLS TO TOWN

	1958	1959
Total Expenditures by the Town	\$1,131,867.61	\$1,221,691.53
Reimbursements	231,607.23	267,800.29
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Amount paid for Schools from Local Taxation	\$ 900,260.38	\$ 953,891.24



JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DEPT. OFFICE

AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENROLLMENT

Enrollment as of December 31, 1959:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Sp.	Tr.	Total
Benjamin J. Phelps	123	118	111	106	116										574
Katherine G. Danahy	51	44	54	53	68										270
Faolin M. Peirce	61	55	50	48											214
Clifford M. Granger	64	62	58	55	62										301
South Elementary	83	86	82	80	83								8	8	430
Total															1789
Junior High					28	304	329	322					11		994
Senior High									231	215	211	153	12		822
Totals	382	365	355	342	357	304	329	322	231	215	211	153	31	8	3605

High School Principal

I herewith submit the annual report of the Agawam Senior High School.

Ideally, the purpose of a senior high school is to provide a thorough preparation in the academic areas for all pupils, limited only by their abilities and ambitions. This being a comprehensive high school, not only must an opportunity be provided for those who wish to continue their formal education, but training must also be given to prepare others for successful participation in business. Both functions of the high school are equally important.

Reports from admissions officers of the several types of schools concerned with advanced education are scrutinized carefully to note trends. Also through arrangement by the Guidance Department, advice by leaders in business, industry, and the military services is available. Thus, pupils are informed on prevailing conditions.

Currently colleges, especially those offering a liberal arts program, are requesting stronger language backgrounds within their entrance requirements particularly in the conversational ability of the student in the language offered.

To satisfy this need, a language laboratory is a necessity. Recently, one was purchased for the school and will be installed in the near future.

A noticeable weakness in the school is inadequate guidance services. Modern educators suggest an advisor for each 250 pupils and the State Board of Education recommends one counselor for each 500. At present, the school has but one for an enrollment of 830.

In September, the enrollment of the school was 830. It was constructed and equipped for 800 pupils. Accordingly, every available room is utilized. In many cases, space designed for one purpose is used for another. Also, two teachers do not have individually assigned rooms but must teach in any vacant one. Perhaps it will be possible to accommodate the pupils promoted to the school next year, but an addition must be constructed for use in September of the ensuing term.

It is a pleasure to report that 25 of last year's graduating class were granted membership in the Pro Merito Society. This honor is earned by those who maintain an average of 85% for four years in all academic courses. Their names follow:

Linda Jane Allen
Renee Odette Benjamin
Thomas Frank Buoniconti
Janice Marlene Cesan
Madeline D'Aiuto

Dorothy Anne Lipps
Katherine Yvonne Marieb
Marianne Rose Pedulla
Judy Peterson
Marilyn Henrietta Pond

Rayna Jean Danton
 Elaine Dolores DeMont
 Sylvia May Ferrero
 Sheila Marie Gagnier
 Barbara Ann Hayes
 Jean Ann Kasper
 Sandra Jean Kellogg
 Timothy Adam Letendre

Thomas Joseph Provost
 Rosemarie Ann Reidy
 James Norris Reynolds III
 Virginia Mae Robbins
 Elizabeth A. Toriani
 Marion Marie Wilkins
 Judith Anne Wilson

Following are the names of pupils whose record was outstanding in the subject field noted. The school is very grateful to the donors of these prizes.

Citizenship — Daughters of the American Revolution	Florence Davio
History Award — Veterans of Foreign Wars — \$10	Marianne Pedulla
Music — Agawam Women's Club — \$5	Sandra Kellogg
English Award — Agawam Women's Club — \$5	Dorothy Lipps
English Award — Proficiency in Writing — \$5	Elaine DeMont
Latin — Benjamin J. Phelps, Agawam Lions Club — \$10	Dorothy Lipps
Art — Agawam Women's Club — \$5	Florence Davio
Bookkeeping Award — \$5	Barbara Hayes
English Award, Creative Ability in Writing — \$5	Florence Davio
International Relations Prize — Agawam Women's Club — \$5	Dorothy Lipps
Commercial Award — Agawam Women's Club, Stenography — \$5	Gladys Gaboury
Victor Emmanuel Auxiliary — Excellence in English — \$10	Marianne Pedulla
Mathematics and Science — Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Thomas Provost
Personality Club Awards:	
— \$10	Florence Davio
— \$10	Thomas Buoniconti
Industrial Arts Award — Veterans of Foreign Wars — \$5	John Magovern
English Award — Journalism — \$5	Rayno Danton
Julian Magiera Student Council Award — Class of '43	Thomas Buoniconti
Typing Award — Underwood — Medal	Linda Maurer
Business Education — Underwood — Certificate	Barbara Hayes
Science — Bausch and Lomb — Medal	Marion Wilkins
Agawam Junior Women's Club Science Award — \$25	Marion Wilkins
Third National Bank, Highest Commercial Award — \$25	Renee Benjamin
Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cataldo — Agawam Food Mart	
Highest Academic Averages for boys and girls — \$50 each	
Marion Wilkins	
Thomas Provost	
Music Award — Arion Medal	Marilyn Pond
— Arion Medal	Barbara Ruckstuhl
Band Award — Arion Medal	Richard Stachowicz
Felix DePalma Mathematics Prize — \$10	Marion Wilkins

A well-balanced program of co-curricular activities is organized to supplement the academic offerings. They contribute to a well-rounded education.

Success of a school is based on many favorable factors, your friendly interest Mr. Clark, the cooperation of the School Committee, the conscientious zeal of the faculty, and the pride of the student body.

Junior High School Principal

Our present enrollment of 998 is overtaking many of our school facilities. However, we do expect relief when the new Robinson Park Elementary School is finished. With the opening of this new school eleven sixth grades and one fifth grade will be able to return to the elementary schools which will eliminate double sessions.

Several excellent improvements have been made in our junior high school building during the 1959 year. A new hot water system has been installed which guarantees us ample hot water for the showers as well as for the lunchroom. A new steam kettle has been added to our cafeteria. This excellent piece of equipment was urgently needed to speed up our serving and add necessary cooking capacity. New metal enclosures in the girls toilets have been installed which adds to the appearance and cleanliness of this much neglected area. The front entrances to the school were refinished during the summer vacation. Important roof repairs were made during the past summer which must be continued during the next summer to eliminate some of the leaks. New furniture was placed in one classroom and the purchase of new typewriting chairs and tables has given us a modern and well equipped typewriting room.

Our annual magazine sales netted a fine profit for the student body. A good portion of this money has been used to buy a new cyclorama for the auditorium stage, and we also purchased, at a cost of \$425.00, a controlled reader. This machine will be used to develop and strengthen our reading program. This should prove to be a great aid for remedial reading which is needed in our junior high school.

Some of the outstanding events of the year are as follows:

1. Sponsored the New England Open Championship Baton Twirling Contest.
2. Educational movies presented by Safety Officer John Chriscola and Mr. Joseph Faucette of the Health Department.
3. Our annual gym show with boys and girls participating.
4. A well organized basketball team representing our junior high school.
5. Two operettas were presented — Wizard of Oz and Christmas Bazaar.

6. Several parents' nights.
7. A science fair and social studies fair.
8. Participation in the spring Music Festival.
9. Our annual eighth grade dance.
10. Many Junior Red Cross activities and projects for the local hospitals.
11. An undefeated freshman football team with many eighth grade students participating.

It is hoped that in the near future we can consider the paving of the lot on the corner of Reed and Main Streets for parking facilities, because with forty-one cars the parking lot in the rear of the building is overtaxed. Again we suggest that an acoustical ceiling be put up in the cafeteria. It is felt that much noise could be eliminated and the lunch period made more pleasant.

For September 1960, we would like to see our junior high school library restored to its original use. This will require new tables, chairs, and additional reference books.

I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Clark and the School Committee for placing an assistant principal in the junior high school. Mr. Kistner is proving to be an excellent administrator, and is following through with a complete testing program for our pupils and also does a considerable amount of counseling. I believe that the school discipline has improved with the aid of our full time assistant and the cooperation of an excellent faculty.



FAOLIN M. PEIRCE SCHOOL

Elementary School Principals

It was with regret that we learned of the retirement of Mrs. Madrine Allen, Principal of the Granger School, after her many years of faithful service to the children and parents of Agawam. To her goes our best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

We are pleased to welcome to our group Mr. James Loomis, Jr., who has had seven years of successful teaching in the town.

In November a Food Survey was conducted by Mrs. Horst from the State Department of Health. As yet we have not received the results, but doubtless the evaluation will be made public in the not too distant future.

One of the high lights of the year was the Music Festival held April 3rd under the direction of Mr. Howard Crotty and Mrs. Margaret Cunningham.

The regular testing program was carried out in March and it was encouraging to learn that in practically all cases each grade media was higher than the national norm.

The increased attendance at Open House during Education Week showed evidence of the deep interest of the parents and friends.

Banking is flourishing in all of the schools. Total deposits from January 1st to December 8, 1959 — \$27,891.41.

Community cooperative activities during the year were: Save the Children Federation Drive, Phelps Scholarship Tag Day, Junior Red Cross, and the March of Dimes.

There is continued interest in the Western Hampden Elementary Principals group. The meetings are held four times each year. By association with other principals of this area we have obtained many helpful solutions to problems common to all.

We are looking forward to the opening of the Robinson Park Elementary School in September as it will lessen the congested conditions in several schools.

We are constantly hoping for the time when another physical education teacher is added to the staff in order that all grades can participate in this excellent program.

Once again our sincere thanks to the School Committee, Mr. Clark, teachers, doctors, custodians, nurses, and cafeteria workers for unfailing assistance throughout the year.

Lunch Report for Fiscal Year 1959

	Phelps	Granger	Peirce	Danahy	South Elem.	Jr. High	High
Average <i>Daily</i> Attendance	555	275	203	254	408	879	766
Average Sold <i>Per Day</i> :							
Lunches with Milk	310	186	104	182	239	468	504
Milk Only	183	97	63	43	137	120	176
Lunches Sold for the Year:	339,518						
			½-Pints of Milk Purchased:				501,885
			Free Lunches:	3,820			

Financial Report for the Year 1959

Balance December 31, 1958	\$ 8,007.32
Lunchroom Receipts	101,749.42
Claims Received	36,335.87
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Total Cash on Hand	\$146,092.61
Less Disbursements:	
Payable December 31, 1958	\$ 7,971.73
Disbursements	128,902.38
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	136,874.11
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Balance	\$ 9,218.50
Bills Payable December 31, 1959	7,171.17
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Balance December 31, 1959:	
Book Balance	\$ 1,945.55
Cash on Hand	101.78
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	\$ 2,047.33
Claims Due	7,185.68
Balance	\$ 9,233.01

School Health

The health program for school is primarily to furnish a background for the health of the child, for physical development, for improving his health and for prevention of disease.

T. B. Mantoux tests were given to juniors, seventh grade students and first grade students. A Salk Vaccine clinic was held for first grade pupils only. Physicals are being conducted as usual. Dental clinics are held alternately in Phelps and Granger Schools. A food survey was conducted throughout the system in the fourth to twelfth grades.

Home visits totaled approximately 254 and first aid or other treatment was given to 1478 students.

Once again we had the services of clinics, hearing league guidance clinic and home teachers. Camperships were used by many and the Junior Red Cross helped financially with camp and dental work.

We feel that necessary fields of work were covered efficiently.



CLIFFORD GRANGER SCHOOL

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE RECORD AS SUBMITTED BY PRECINCT SECRETARIES:

PRECINCT 1

	Meeting Date	
Balboni, Ronald A.	P	Mar. 7, 1959
Balboni, Walter A.	P	May 25, 1959
Bassani, Benjamin S.	P	Oct. 26, 1959
Bellano, Albert W.	P	
Bertera, Peter J.	P	
Bessette, Albert J.	P	
Borgatti, Romeo	P	
Cavanaugh, Jerrie	P	
Colli, Francis A.	P	
Connor, Edward G.	P	
Curran, Donald P.	P	
DeForge, Jasper P.	P	
DeForge, Raymond J.	P	
DeLucchi, Mario J.	P	
DeMars, Augustus J.	P	
Gallano, Andrew C.	P	
Grady, Kenneth R.	P	
Kane, James P.	P	
Letellier, Walter J.	P	
Montagna, Albert J.	P	
Montagna, Michael P.	P	
Parent, John W.	P	
Pisano, Lawrence	P	
Poggi, Angelo J.	P	
Provo, Samuel F.	P	
Provost, Adolphus, Jr.	P	
Raschi, Raymond H.	P	
Scannell, Richard F.	P	
Scherpa, Lawrence J.	P	
Tisdell, Merrill O.	P	

PRECINCT 2

	Meeting Date	
Alvignini, Julio A.	P	Mar. 7, 1959
Blanchard, Lionel H.	P	May 25, 1959
Brown, Noel E.	P	Oct. 26, 1959
Chiba, Edythe E.	P	
Chiba, William R.	P	
Clark, William C.	P	
Cooley, Hazel M.	P	
DeForge, William J., Jr.	P	
Dunn, Frank E.	P	
Goodwin, Bertram R.	P	
Halladay, Giles W.	P	
Hastings, Lyman T.	P	
Johnson, Arthur	P	
Kane, Ethel A.	P	
Kane, Rupert M.	P	
Karakla, Francis T.	P	
Kerr, Arthur W.	P	
Kimball, Wallace O.	P	
Matheson, Mauida	P	
McCobb, Perry A.	P	
Mercedith, Thomas Patrick	P	
Nocilla, Salvatore	P	
Osolinski, Peter P.	P	
Pilkinton, Elwin A.	P	
Rising, Leonard P.	P	
Rosati, John F.	P	
Taylor, Richard M.	P	
White, Stanley D., Jr.	P	
DiDonato, Elaine	P	

PRECINCT 3

	Meeting Date	
Alberghini, Mary A.	P	Mar. 7, 1959
Bonavita, Carlo F.	P	May 25, 1959
Borgatti, Edward G.	P	Oct. 26, 1959
Borgatti, Paul R.	P	
Borgatti, Richard F.	P	
Cleary, Gerald	P	
D'Amato, Paul J.	P	
D'Amato, Ralph J.	P	
DePalma, Louis	P	
DiDonato, Anthony F.	P	
Drew, Frederick A.	P	
Ferrari, Joseph J.	P	
Fleming, George T.	P	
Gibson, Clifford J.	P	
Giordano, Pasquale A.	P	
Gravel, Charles	P	
Hart, Francis H.	P	
Hubbard, Wylie C.	P	
Ianello, Joseph L.	P	
Lucas, Henry W.	P	
Mercadante, Roland	P	
Meyer, Edward W.	P	
Napolitan, F. Joseph	P	
Romanowicz, Antoni	P	
Russo, Thomas	P	
Saracino, Raymond	P	
Shea, John J.	P	
Skolnick, Barbara	P	
Skolnick, David	P	
Zanotti, Libero A.	P	

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE RECORD AS SUBMITTED BY PRECINCT SECRETARIES:

PRECINCT 4		PRECINCT 5		MEMBERS AT LARGE	
Meeting Date		Meeting Date		Meeting Date	
Mar. 7, 1959	P	Mar. 7, 1959	P	Mar. 7, 1959	P
May 25, 1959	P	May 25, 1959	P	May 25, 1959	P
Oct. 26, 1959	P	Oct. 26, 1959	P	Oct. 26, 1959	P
Abell, Harry N., Jr.		Atwater, James C.		Langlois, Paul R.	
Adams, Paul J., Jr.	P	Bailey, Nina B.	P	Kerr, Walter T.	P
Anderson, C. Paul	P	Bodurtha, Dudley K.	P	Letellier, Brandon N.	P
Begley, Paul M.	P	Brinn, Victor H.	P	Adams, Paul J.	P
Belcher, Leonard C.	P	Campbell, George H.	P	Hombdt, Phillips J.	P
Cascio, Elmer	P	Cascio, Thomas E.	P	Girillo, John B.	P
Casello, Thomas H.	P	Chamberlin, Elsie C.M.	P	Cleary, James P.	P
Chandler, Gordon H.	P	Christopher, Albert J.	P	Porter, George W.	P
Charest, Raymond E.	P	Doolittle, Dorothy	P		
Chriscola, Frank, Jr.	P	Dowd, Bernard J.	P		
Chriscola, John	P	Emerson, Frederick C.	P		
Clark, James	P	Fitzgerald, John J., Jr.	P		
Dacey, Frederick T.	P	Grasso, Alfred M.	P		
Foot, Kenneth F.	P	Grasso, Frank A.	P		
Gallano, David C.	P	Hastings, John N.	P		
Hall, Ernest R.	P	Hopkins, Ernest S.	P		
Hallack, Howard H.	P	Johnson, Ronald E.	P		
Harris, Raymond E.	P	Kistner, Charles L.	P		
Lockhart, Benjamin T.	P	Lawson, Henry W.	P		
Magovern, John N.	P	Mabb, William S.	P		
McGowan, Henry L.	P	Mattoon, Donald H.	P		
Mitchell, Charles C.	P	Patnaude, Henry E.	P		
Moreno, Valentine R.	P	Perry, M. Alice	P		
O'Connor, Francis W.	P	Pettis, Winifred S.	P		
O'Keefe, James A.	P	Roberts, Norman W.	P		
Ramah, George	P	Scala, Salvatore J.	P		
Shepard, Bert L.	P	Stahle, Winslow A.	P		
Snell, James E.	P	Tatro, Paul A.	P		
Sullivan, John J.	P	Wallace, Louise R.	P		
Telken, Richard W.	P	Woodbury, Maude M.	P		
Zerra, Jerry L.	P				

List of Jurors

- Alajanian, George — Truck Driver
69 Randall Street
- Alcorn, Robert E. — Civil Engineer
596 Suffield Street
- Allen, Robert C. — Hampden County
46 Main Street — Improvement Lg.
- Arnold, Philip E. — Lead Foreman
289 North Street
- Alvigini, Julio A. — Meat Packing
580 North Street
- Banville, Roland A. — Am. Bosch
185 North Street
- Beauchane, Eleanor D. — Packer
86 Homer Street
- Begley, Paul M. — Sales Asst.
47 Fairview Street
- Bergeron, Joseph H. — Assembler
278 Meadow Street
- Bissonnette, Anna D. — Cashier
21 Mulberry Street
- Bonavita, Carlo F. — Construction
683 Cooper Street
- Boyer, Jessie M. — Asst.
73 Adams Street
- Buoniconti, Fred A. — Builder
164 Rowley Street
- Buoniconti, Thomas F. — R.R. Engineer
36 Rowley Street
- Carmody, Frederick J. — Salesman
154 Raymond Circle
- Carlson, Fred A. — Air Procurement
51 Letendre Avenue
- Carroll, Gladys M. — Clerk
122 Meadow Street
- Cascio, Thomas E. — Landscape Gardener
262 Meadow Street
- Chechile, Charles C. — Am. Bosch
134 River Road
- Charest, Raymond E. — Control Engr.
97 Silver Street
- Charest, Romeo J. — Shipping Clerk
41 Royal Street
- Chiba, William R. — Welder
1003 No. Westfield Street
- Churchill, Robert L. — Supervisor
261 North Street
- Cirillo, Vincent F. — H&G, Inc.
1710 Main Street
- Clark, Loren H. — Proprietor
231 No. Westfield Street
- Cleary, Francis P. — Farmer
1282 Springfield Street
- Collina, Frank Robert — Contractor
73 Silver Lake Drive
- Connor, Michael — Garageman
88 Bridge Street
- Consolati, Alice — Cafeteria Worker
57 Cooley Street
- Consolati, David J. — Lineman
57 Cooley Street
- Corriveau Adwilda M. — Housewife
448 Main Street
- Corriveau, Roland A. — Analyst
29 Hall Street
- Coupas, Frank — Mach. Tool Operator
187 South West Street
- Cremonti, Olida — Housewife
33 Columbus Street
- Dahdah, Bashire Edward — Salesman
265 Colemore Street
- DeForge, John H. — Painter
88 Bridge Street
- Deloghia, Raymond J. — Foreman
603 Suffield Street
- DePalma, Louis — Auto Dealer
15 Memorial Park
- DePalo, Joseph — Upholsterer
15 Meadow Street
- Devecchi, Perino — Stock Foreman
10 Winthrop Street
- Dowd, Marvin F. — Trucking Co.
25 Meadow Street
- Dowling, Edmond M. — Veterinarian
187 School Street
- Draghetti, Joseph — Toolmaker
120 Homer Street
- Drew, Frederick A. — Spfld. Armory
446 Cooper Street
- Dumond, Ernest — Clerk
680 Springfield Street
- Dumond, Robert E. — Carpenter
64 Doane Avenue
- Ezekiel, George C. — Asst. Supt.
124 No. Westfield Street
- Fearn, Frances D. — Office Clerk
125 Cooley Street
- Fenney, Vernon S. — Materials Handlg.
32 Meadow Street
- Ferranti, Frank R. — Clerk - Foreman
23 Dover Street
- Ferrell, Clarence E. — Shipping Clerk
67 Bridge Street
- Fitzgerald, John T. — Foreman
151 Suffield Street
- Fontana, Alfred — Steamfitter
28 Meadow Street
- Gillan, George — Toolgrinder
54 Homer Street
- Haggerty, Walter A. — Production Gdr.
37 Bridge Street
- Haggerty, Walter A., Jr. — Acct. Exec.
37 Bridge Street
- Hanrahan, Mary E. — Ins. Clerk
31 Fruwirth Avenue
- Hubbard, Wylie C. — Eng.
58 Edgewater Road
- Humiston, Woodrow A. — Johnson
70 Hall Street Asbestos Co.
- Isham, Evelyn R. — Housewife
37 Kensington Street
- Jarvis, Ethel D. — Hostess
19 Riverview Avenue
- Jeserski, Josephine — Office Work
627 South West Street
- Kane, Hollis F. — Farmer
775 No. West Street

Keefe, Philip T. — Florist
 226 Walnut Street
 Kellogg, Richard — Shear Operator
 65 No. Westfield Street
 Kida, Josephine A. — Stenographer
 101 Albert St.
 Labb, Jacob — Farmer
 573 So. West Street
 LaRock, Francis E. — Machinist
 61 Kensington Street
 Lawson, Henry W. — Salesman
 38 School Street
 Leger, Leo John — Plant Engineer
 73 Cooper Street
 Liberatore, James V. — Timekeeper
 19 Alhambra Circle So.
 Liberatore, Jennie V. — Housewife
 19 Alhambra Circle So.
 Liquori, Patsy R. — Gen. Contractor
 712 Cooper Street
 Longhi, Joseph N. — Trucking
 148 Liberty Street
 Lowell, Francis George — Am. Bosch
 52 Simpson Circle
 McCarthy, Frederick A. — Warehouse Foreman
 122 Elm Street
 McCullough, Lillian — Housewife
 113 Cooley Street
 McGowan, Henry L. — Manager
 111 Suffield Street
 McLellan, William J. — Manuf. Rep.
 527 North Street
 McMahon, Edward D. — Manager
 29 Central Street
 Mandrioli, Albert J. — Bartender
 422 Cooper Street
 Melloni, Joseph — Laborer
 25 Randall Street
 Menard, Lawrence E. — Manager
 120 Albert Street
 Monette, Joseph D. — Machinist
 410 Main Street
 Moore, Leslie J. — Proprietor
 33 Federal Avenue
 Moreno, Valentine R. — Editor
 547 Suffield Street
 Mullaly, Virginia C. — Admin. Asst.
 14 Reed Street
 Nassif, Philip — Self-employed
 580 Main Street
 Neill, Donald — Ins. Salesman
 15 Federal Street
 O'Brien, James H. — Laborer
 48 Alhambra Circle So.
 O'Connor, Francis W. — Printer
 215 Elm Street
 O'Connor, Walter J. — Aviation
 21 Warren Street
 O'Keefe, James A. — Manager
 97 Suffield Street
 Pescetta, Virgilio P. — Package Mach.
 46 Ellington Street
 Petersen, Agnes R. — Housewife
 122 Suffield Street
 Phaneuf, Armand L. — Aircraft
 25 Ley Street
 Prentiss, Maude M. — Secretary
 104 North Street
 Ramah, Joseph P. — Realtor
 320 Cooper Street
 Raschi, Anthony A. — Laborer
 49 Fairview Street
 Rieker, Richard J. — Accountant
 1158 Main Street
 Richards, Clarence W. — Laborer
 11 Ellington Street
 Robertson, John J., Jr. — Insurance Broker
 17 Washington Avenue
 Rossi, Antoniette T. — Tobacco Worker
 42 Hastings Street
 Rosso, S. Sally — Cashier - Clerk
 65 Broz Terrace
 Rovelli, Arselio M. — Assembler
 37 Fruwirth Avenue
 Russo, Thomas — Farming, Landscapp.
 655 Cooper Street
 Sandbeck, Joseph — Salesman
 42 Cooper Street
 Schmidt, Alfred O. — Am. Bosch
 52 Meadow Street
 Shea, John J. — Outdoor Advertising
 398 Suffield Street
 Shibley, Edward P. — Salesman
 91 Garden Street
 Shibley, Victor J. — Mason Contractor
 17 Rowley Street
 Soper, Erwin J. — Iron Worker
 56 Hall Street
 Sopet, Loretta R. — Housewife
 40 Homer Street
 Spear, William Orr — Lumber Business
 292 So. West Street
 Sullivan, Eugene F., Jr. — Salesman
 666 Main Street
 Syriac, William C. — Clerk
 128 Reed Street
 Shugda, Walter J. — Toolmaker
 27 Begley Street
 Tonelli, Leo G. — Bench Worker
 12 Fenton Street
 Trumper, Marie P. — Housewife
 79 Cooley Street
 Uschmann, Edward J. — Bartender
 471 Meadow Street
 Vassallo, Amelia P. — Secretary
 11 Anthony Street
 Watrous, Chauncey T. — Pratt & Whitney
 863 North Street
 Wells, Aubrey J. — Carpenter
 20 Washington Avenue
 Wilson, John E. — Clerk
 5 Church Street
 Wojcik, Ramon M. — Asst. Manager
 52 Belvedere Avenue
 Woodbury, Maude M. — Clerk
 24 Albert Street
 Wyatt, William Arthur — Accountant
 42 Warren Street
 Yarnac, Anthony — Laborer
 308 No. Westfield Street
 Yelinik, Charles E. — Salesman
 50 Brookline Avenue



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